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TOJO BREAKS SILENCE

Japan Fought "A War Of Self-Defence"

U.S. FIGHTS SHY OF PALESTINE

Washington, May 2. The United States shied at the prospect of direct intervention in Palestine, apparently counting on the United Nations to assume future responsibility for the troublesome Holy Lands problem.

It is plain that lawmakers are against America joining Britain in the thankless job of maintaining peace between the Arabs and the Jews. With Britain unwilling to continue alone, the United Nations appears to be the only agency capable of stepping into the picture effectively.

The "thumbs-down on intervention" attitude stemmed from these factors:

(1) Apparent determination to hold foreign commitments of American troops to a minimum security level.

(2) The belief that problems of handling or suppressing violence in other lands should be handled now on an international rather than a one or two nations basis.

(3) The reluctance to quarter troops in the Near East for fear the action might be misinterpreted, especially in view of America's recent insistence upon the withdrawal of Russian forces from Iran.

(4) The heavy demands on available United States forces for occupation duties elsewhere.

Although the Palestine report may hasten United Nations action, the Assembly had not planned to discuss the creation of a trusteeship council for overall supervision of international territories until the September meeting.

The issue could be raised on the ground that the situation constitutes a threat to international security—but what action the Council could take is uncertain for it has no military forces to back up its decisions.—Associated Press.

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FUTURE OF PACIFIC SEA, AIR BASES

Washington, May 2. Iceland's formal opposition to continued maintenance of United States air bases there is a sample of what is to come as the "rolling up" of bases throughout the world begins. This is particularly true in the Pacific area where dozens of army and navy bases were set up in the drive across thousands of miles of water which ended with Japan's surrender.

Some evidence of the pending international bickering has already been seen. Feeling in Australia is against the United States retaining control of the giant base at Manus in the Admiralty Islands.

Manus is one of the finest fleet bases in the world and was built up from a trading seaport harbour after American marines and army troops wrested Los Negros, just adjoining Manus, from the Japanese. The development of airfields, harbours and breakwaters make the islands, once little known, important, now from both commercial and military viewpoints.

Some of the bases will certainly be returned to their owners. Guadalcanal in the Solomon Islands is a good example. The British flag flew there while the war was still on.

During the war, the men fighting in the Pacific area fronts were fairly emphatic that most of the bases should be kept "after this is over" to help prevent another conflict. This statement was made by high ranking officers about Okinawa, while the fighting was still raging there. They pointed out that Okinawa would provide an ideal air base in the Orient and was a suitable place for a Far Eastern Fleet base if such an establishment became desirable.

There is little likelihood that Okinawa or Iwojima will be given

"Emancipating" The Orient

(Exclusive to the "China Mail")

TOKYO, MAY 2. HIDEKI TOJO BROKE HIS LONG SILENCE YESTERDAY TO DECLARE THAT JAPAN FOUGHT A "WAR OF SELF-PROTECTION" AND PROMISED THAT HIS DEFENCE AT THE FORTHCOMING WAR CRIMES TRIAL WOULD INCLUDE A FULL STORY OF HIS PART WITHOUT REMORSE FOR THE CRIMES OF WHICH HE IS CHARGED.

"I WOULD LIKE TO INFORM THE WORLD THAT THIS WAR WAS TRULY A WAR OF SELF-PROTECTION," THE ONE-TIME JAPANESE DICTATOR ASSERTED ON THE EVE OF HIS ARRAIGNMENT BEFORE THE INTERNATIONAL TRIBUNAL FOR THE FAR EAST.

These statements were made in an interview exclusive to the Associated Press, through his principal Japanese attorney, Ichiro Kiyose.

Tojo, from his Sugamo Prison cell, indicated the following points of his contemplated defence:

(1) Japan, "as an independent country," had no recourse but war in 1941 for "self protection." Tojo said he would discuss in court the answer to the question when he believed war was inevitable with America and Britain.

(2) Japan did not "want to invade any oriental countries" but was "emancipating" them. The use of their natural resources and the imposition of "several restrictions on peoples' rights" were necessary in order to conduct the war and intended to last only during the hostilities.

(3) Tojo, as Premier, "hoped" the Washington negotiations in 1941 would be successful and "issued all orders with the condition that they could be rescinded if the Conference succeeded."

(4) Tojo, as Premier and War Minister, was willing "in

principle" to withdraw his troops from China—a major stumbling block to the negotiations—but only upon "certain conditions" including peace with China.

Believed Would Win

"Of course, I believed we would win the war" when the hostilities began, he said, answering a direct question. Thus he may also counter the possible contention that he is guilty of the crimes against the Japanese people by hurling them into a conflict which was hopeless at the outset.

This uncompromising attitude of the stern little man—who once ruled one of the world's richest empires with steel and fire—clearly indicated he would attempt to match his prosecutors' charges.

Some other defendants are expected to base their contention that they had personally no part in the charges against them.

Tojo admitted that he had opposed Japan's surrender but denied doing anything to prevent it.—Associated Press.

"Not Guilty"

Tokyo, May 2. After a conference with his lawyer today, General Tojo confirmed his decision to plead not guilty next Thursday when with 26 other Japanese military and diplomatic leaders he is arraigned before the Military Tribunal for the Far East.

His lawyer stated that General Tojo was in good health. Tojo's 33-year-old son, Teruo, seated in the room where his father made an unsuccessful suicide attempt last September, said today: "I will be well satisfied if the trials contribute to world peace"—Reuter.

Forrestal Criticises Merger Plan

Washington, May 2. Secretary of Navy James Forrestal today lambasted the legislation to merge the armed forces although he was praising President Truman's basic objectives of post-war unification.

Forrestal told the Senate Naval Committee that "the army plan for a merger" could result in abolishing the naval arm which constitutes 40 per cent of the naval strength and marine corps—or reducing them to ineffectiveness.

In discussing the war in the Pacific, Forrestal praised General MacArthur's "gallant fighting troops" and the "magnificent courage" of the Superfort raiders, and stressed "The navy has never maintained its alone was responsible for the conquest of Japan."

He said the navy does maintain seapower "was responsible for destroying the foundation of the Japanese war effort."

He said that naval forces and merchant shipping, when Japan depended for supplies necessary for its war effort, were eliminated in a preponderant degree by American naval

Attempt To Blow Up H.M.S. "Chevron"?

Jerusalem, May 2. At Haifa 13 Palestine sailors on board H.M.S. "Chevron", destroyer, were taken into custody under suspicion of intending to blow up the vessel.

A kitbag found filled with explosives in the ship's messroom above the magazine was only one of 13 others also found. One bag was found to contain a detonator and the rest all had concealed explosives.

"Chevron", which intercepted a Turkish ship carrying illegal Jewish immigrants six weeks ago, was taking the sailors from Alexandria to Haifa for discharge.—Associated Press.

Soviet Raises Armenia

Moscow, May 2. The Soviet press draws attention to the Armenian question today, publishing lengthy dispatches from New York, describing meetings of Armenian societies in the United States at which resolutions were passed calling on the United States to solve the problem of the future of the Armenian areas now in Turkey. The dispatches quote speeches stating that Turkey was harshly suppressing the Armenians and demanding that the Armenian provinces now in Turkey should be joined to Soviet Armenia.—Reuter.

Ruhr Separation Opposed

London, May 2. An authoritative source said last night that the British Commonwealth Prime Ministers are opposed to the French proposal for separation of the Ruhr and Rhineland from Germany preferring that the areas should be run by a public corporation, preferably administered by the Germans themselves.

During the discussions yesterday, the Commonwealth Prime Ministers considered whether there should be an international directorate, or a German directorate, responsible to the German Government when established.

The source explained that the entire question of Germany's future was discussed. It was based, he said, on these three principles:

(1) Measures must be taken to insure that Germany never again becomes a great military power.

(2) Germany must be helped to develop economically.

(3) Any settlement of German peace must insure establishment of a democratic government and the maintenance of democratic institutions.

The source explained that the Prime Ministers' views were not to represent any hard agreement on Germany but leaves the way open for any one of the Dominions to go its own way at the Paris conference.

Pacific Questions

Yesterday's meeting was very brief and the Commonwealth leaders set Friday for a discussion of economic cooperation in the South and Southwest Pacific.

He said Superfort island bases were obtained "by severe and bitter fighting" by marines and "some army units."

After presenting the prepared statement, Forrestal was questioned by the committee for two hours in a closed session. Chairman Walsh said that Forrestal had proposed the creation of a new cabinet post, "director of common defense," to coordinate the relationship of the secretaries of war and navy and other agencies.

Associated Press.

ATOM RESEARCH COSTS

London, May 2. Britain's expenditure for atomic research, disguised during the war as "research into tube alloys," totalled \$1,730,000, according to a White Paper on secret service expenditure issued in London today.

In 1941, when the "tube alloy" project was established, British expenditure on it amounted to \$7,888. The following year the figure was \$341,147; in 1944 it was \$700,020, and in 1945, \$682,063. The 1946 figure is not yet available.

Britain's secret service expenditure during the five war years was more than \$52,000,000, the White Paper disclosed.—Reuter.

Dog, Ex-P.O.W., Given Medal

London, May 2. "Judy," the only dog officially registered as a British prisoner-of-war, has been awarded the Dicks Medal for gallantry—the country's highest animal honour. It was announced today, for "magnificent courage and endurance in Japanese prison camps."

"Judy," originally a British warship mascot, was bombed, torpedoed, wounded, shipwrecked, bitten by an alligator, and when on an uninhabited island found the only fresh water spring, thus saving the lives of the survivors of the crew.

She spent 3½ years in a Japanese prison camp and, according to the citation, "Helped to maintain morale among fellow-prisoners."

The medal will be presented at the Headquarters of the British Prisoners-of-War Association.—Reuter.

Delay Dangerous

Inoculation can be had at any Government Hospital, Medical Centre, Chinese Hospital or Public Dispensary. Delay is dangerous.

The inoculation of school children is being undertaken by the School Health Service. The Easter Holiday interrupted this work—but it has already been resumed. It is hoped that the parents will appreciate the wisdom of having their children protected in this way and co-operate by seeing that they attend school on the day appointed for inoculation. Children who are not inoculated at school should be taken to the nearest inoculation centre.

Certificates of inoculation are required by persons leaving Hong Kong for other parts and for certain kinds of business. Such certificates can be obtained from the Port Health Office, Fire Brigade Building, ground floor or at the Tsim Sha Tsui Health Centre, Nathan Road (The Old Central British School). A new centre has been established in the old Urban Council Office, just opposite the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank, where certificates may also be obtained.

They must carry a photograph of the bearer and the official stamp of the issuing office. To be valid for travel they must be no less than six days old and no more than three months old.

Catholics Warned: "New Social War"

(By Robert Papworth)

Madrid, May 2. The Catholic Church, taking an increasing interest in social problems in Spain, is becoming daily more outspoken on the causes of present evils.

A typical article in the magazine "Fomento Social" by its director, the Jesuit Father Joaquin Azpiluz, utters a stern warning of "a new social war" to Catholic "sleepers."

Father Azpiluz, well known as a pioneer in organizing spiritual exercises for workmen in their workshops and factories and the author of a work entitled "Ethics for the Business Man," which would make industrialists realize the spiritual needs of their workers, is a prominent figure in the Catholic hierarchy.

Associated Press.

CHOLERA OUTBREAK IN COLONY

CHOLERA—HAS NOW APPEARED IN THE COLONY. UNFORTUNATELY AS A LEGACY OF THE WAR YEARS ONLY TOO MANY CONDITIONS EXIST WHICH ARE FAVOURABLE FOR THE SPREAD OF THIS DEADLY DISEASE. THESE MUST BE CORRECTED IF AN EPIDEMIC IS TO BE AVERTED.

TO THIS END IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT THE PUBLIC REALIZE THAT ORDERS AND REGULATIONS ISSUED BY THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT ARE DESIGNED FOR THEIR PROTECTION AND CANNOT LIGHTLY BE DISREGARDED. THE MOST POTENT FACTOR IN COMBATING THE DISEASE WILL BE THE DISCIPLINE AND LOYAL CO-OPERATION OF THE POPULATION.

Irresponsible, lawless or disorderly conduct will not only gravely hamper official action but will actively serve to maintain those very conditions most favourable for the spread of the disease.

The person who patronises illegal hawkers and cats prohibited food is endangering his own life and those of his neighbours. The woman who throws her refuse out onto the street or onto the nearest heap of rubble is endangering the life of her entire neighbourhood.

Cholera is entirely preventable. It is fostered by filth, flies and folly and checked by cleanliness and common sense. In a clean hygienic city it cannot exist. The inference is obvious.

The first common sense step in self-protection is to be inoculated against the disease. Twenty centres are now in operation, covering the entire Colony, where inoculation can be had free of charge. The immunity conferred by inoculation takes roughly about one week to develop and will confer a high degree of protection for a period of three months. Thereafter inoculation should be repeated.

The therapy, which consists of taking the victim on a 20-minute flight to a height of 12,000 feet and descending in a steep dive, apparently worked in both cases.

Derbyshire took his son up from Croydon airport, near London and cruised over the Home Counties. The child continued to cough as the plane gained altitude, but stopped at 12,000 feet. Half an hour after the descent, the boy showed no further signs of coughing.—Reuter.

NEW ROCKET MOTOR

Patuxent River, Maryland, May 2.

The United States Navy Department disclosed yesterday what it described as the "newest and most powerful rocket motor in the world"—a unit which delivers 66,000 pounds of thrust in two seconds.

Known as "Moby Dick," the motor is intended for use in jet-assisted aircraft take-offs or to propel aerial rockets. The Navy said the new unit would triple the speed of its "Tiny Tim"—the 12-inch aerial rocket weighing 1,300 pounds which now speeds along at a rate of 900 feet per second.

"Moby Dick" is 105 inches long and 17 inches in diameter and weighs 8,800 pounds. It was built by the Aero-Jet Engineering Corporation of Azusa, Cal., in conjunction with the Bureau of Ordnance and Aeronautics.

Navy officials said that the new motor developed in its brief operation about one-third more thrust than the unit in the German V-2.—Associated Press.

THE WEATHER

Today's forecast: Fair, with light southerly winds.

Yesterday's temperatures, etc.: Maximum—91.5 deg. at 3 p.m. Minimum—60 deg. at 6 a.m. Humidity—60 per cent at 6 a.m. Wind—S.W. 10-15 m.p.h. at 6 a.m.

Forecast for May 3: Fair, with light southerly winds.

Forecast for May 4: Fair, with light southerly winds.

Forecast for May 5: Fair, with light southerly winds.

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Family Councils

There have been changes certainly in the scope and possibly in the form of the consultations with Dominion Premiers now going on in London since Mr. Attlee announced a month ago that they must be "staggered" and would chiefly be concerned with the Pacific. Discussions with the Prime Minister of Australia and the Finance Minister of New Zealand are well advanced and the consultations have broadened with the arrival of Field-Marshal Smuts. Mr. MacKenzie King is expected any day so that there is hope of individual consultations becoming a pretty full Imperial Conference. The need for a general meeting of the Empire's leaders has become much more urgent. The original topic of American desire for bases in the Pacific is on the agenda and is no doubt, being discussed today; but it is completely overshadowed by others.

The question of Pacific bases is itself only a part of the larger question of Imperial Defence. Whatever the Mother Country may do in the future (and, the Government not having finally decided its defence policy, it is not yet possible to say precisely what it will do), the different and widely scattered parts of the Empire must undoubtedly each acquire greater local strength than before the war. Whether they do so under the aegis of the United Nations or on their own remains to be seen. Strength is, of course, a term relative to prevailing conditions, and the degree of intrinsic strength must therefore depend largely on the existence or non-existence of really whole-hearted collaboration between the great Powers. That is why, apart from their interest as contributors to victory, the Dominions are so keenly concerned with the Peace Treaties that are causing such difficulties at the Paris Conference, and particularly with the Treaty with Italy, which has such a bearing on the lines of communication with so much of the Empire.

It is also certain that the present discussions must air views and, if possible, find general agreement upon the future of Empire trade. They will at least be preliminary to the further Conference, on preferences, fore-shadowed by Mr. Morrison, which is itself intended to deal with the Empire side of the consequences of the American loan and the American desire for free multilateral trade. Lastly, these discussions will disclose and decide the Empire's contribution to the battle against famine, whose assault threatens parts of it such as India and, to some extent, South Africa. There is, indeed, a full and potentially fruitful agenda. At the moment it is only necessary to say that both the attitude of the Dominions and the personalities of their representatives guarantee that these discussions will be in every sense family, councils, and that in consequence the Empire will speak with a united and decided voice.

BOMBS EXPLODE IN MADRID

Madrid, May 2. Two home-made bombs exploded early today in two grocery shops in Cuatro Caminos, an outlying quarter of Madrid. No casualties were caused. Later the police arrested five young men, aged from 18 to 31. Two of them are reported to have had links with the Republican movement. The other three are being held on suspicion of being members of the "Luz" group.

They're Waiting For Truman's Mistakes

by ARTHUR WEBB, "Daily Herald" Washington Correspondent

In this country, which places a premium on the average they are discovering just how far an average man can lead them. When Truman took office he pledged himself to Roosevelt's policies, and no one doubts that he seeks to carry Roosevelt's ideas forward. But his kind of effort has not been, and will not be, enough.

Pressure Groups At Work

The result has been increasing organization and pressure from the people, making itself felt, not through the White House, but in independent groups. A dozen new organizations range from the Political Action Committee of the C.I.O. unions. People are rallying to get the Roosevelt-Truman measures through Congress. When Congress for months has failed to vote on or may on his program, Truman made an appeal to radio voters to force their representatives to act. This gesture failed, and it is not likely he will try it again. His attitude now seems to be a narrow legalistic approach to the President's responsibilities, and one does not expect him in the future to rise above them to true leadership.

Ten Measures Succeeded

Of twenty-five major measures he has recommended—some of them beyond Roosevelt in meeting demands of progressive New Dealers—only ten have been approved. Of these, five were amended by

proposals he specifically opposed. Gallup polls showed that in the first months of his Presidency, Truman reached heights of popularity greater even than Roosevelt.

Although most observers knew this popularity was a close cousin to pure sympathy, they thought it would have a concrete effect in unifying the nation and carrying conversion forward. Everyone accepted the motto Truman himself suggested: "Don't shoot the pianist—he's doing his best."

While his personal popularity as a man is undiminished, his prestige declines. For various reasons there is little doubt he will be re-nominated as Democratic candidate in 1948, but most observers believe that a strong man like Stassen could defeat him. After a few widely-criticized holiday excursions he has settled down conscientiously, and his personal bearing and modesty, sincerity and industry win praise from all sides. His official family seems well settled. Of the Cabinet only two Roosevelt men remain—Secretary of the Navy Forrestal and Secretary of Commerce Wallace. Certain ones like Stimson would have retired anyway, but the changes here and elsewhere indicate that while Truman's speeches are consistently left of centre, often dead-centre. His appointments vary widely. Secretary Vinson of the Treasury is an extremely capable man and a close adviser. Estimated also by Roosevelt, Vinson is a politician and speaks the President's language, but he understands larger issues and for one example—has been a forceful advocate and interpreter of the British Loan. The President's leadership in Bretton Woods and UNO partici-

pation must be counted major achievements; and the loss of Secretary of the Interior Ickes through a few careless words at a Press conference was the biggest single blunder of the year.

The proposed appointment of Pauley despite Ickes' opposition was symptomatic of the President's tendency to appoint personal associates to major posts—which has been his most criticised weakness, and led to the charge that this is a "Government by crony."

Certainly the most marked change at the White House has been in the faces and manners of the old-time Missourians or political acquaintances the President keeps around him. Here observers see Truman's greatest danger.

Their Politics, Poker, Whisky, Water

Those men like to talk State politics, play poker and have an occasional glass of Bourbon whisky and tap water—and the President does, too.

Failure to appreciate the housing problem surely also must be laid at the White House door as a major mistake. Americans expect he will make other, perhaps, as one national magazine says, "a mediocre man doing his best in a job too big for him."

The man who did not want to be President and sometimes in the first few weeks forgot that he was President is devoted to learning his job.

At times he is brilliant in delegating authority and in taking advice from better thinkers than himself—and on special occasions he has wisely been swayed by such diverse and capable men as Henry Wallace and George C. Marshall, who has done a great job for America in China.

Observers note that he is growing in stature, but you no longer hear such a far-fetched comment as in the early days, when men recalled that America's instinct for the average man once turned up a country politician named Abraham Lincoln.

Harry Truman is not going to be any Lincoln.

BY THE WAY

By BEACHCOMBER.

Hearing a business man talk of the poor matches his daughters had made, I remembered the remark of the rich merchant of Marseilles, Clary.

Joseph Bonaparte had married his daughter Julie, and the young Napoleon, kicking his heels in Paris, was more than half inclined to marry his other daughter, Desiree. "One poor Bonaparte in my family is enough," said the merchant, little dreaming that both girls would become queens, or that Desiree might have been an empress; if she had married Napoleon instead of Bonaparte.

Love Comes Too Late

The hostess was chatting discreetly. And her dog lay asleep on the mat. When she noticed a guest in the foreground, A-fanning his head with his hat. Then, rigid, with cold disapproval. She cries "Mason." Two butlers appear. "Get rid of this cad," says their mistress. And the guest is flung out on his ear. Time passed, and that hostess grew gentler. And sprawled like a dog on the mat. While the ghost of a guest long since vanished. But fanning his tea with his hat.

Constructive Thought

Dear Sir, We know that London has been re-planned, and is to be re-built. Here, then, is an excellent site for the Mammoth World Fair. Why not employ ten million Germans to destroy what remains of London, after which preliminary clearance work we should have a vast open space on which to house the exhibition? When the Exhibition was over, London could be rebuilt on the same site. Yrs. faithfully, (Mrs.) Uta Wreath, M.P.

The Strabismus Expedition

That foolish sailor, thinking to amuse the two old men in the cave, bared his breast and showed them a tattoo mark—a heart transfixed with an arrow, and under it the legend, "Wilfred loves Amy." The two old men, thinking the marks were some sort of magic, at once jumped up and began to chant strange words. They then crowned Professor Slopper with a wreath of weeds, and danced round him, waving their long knives. "None of which gets us any further," remarked Dr. Strabismus (Whom God Preserve) of Utrecht.

TODAY IN EUROPE

THE TRUTH ABOUT TITO

It is widely believed that the British Government's decision, at the beginning of 1944, to withdraw their support from General Draja Mihailovich's forces in Yugoslavia and switch it entirely to the forces of Marshal Tito, was due to a desire to appease the Russians.

There is no basis whatever for this belief. It is, of course, true—that Tito was trained in Moscow for five years. But the strange fact is that the Russians never did much to help him in Yugoslavia. They were too busy fighting their own battles to worry about him.

The first British military mission at Tito's headquarters was established eleven months before the first Russian officers appeared in April, 1944. By this time, there were more than twenty British and American military missions serving with various units of Tito's army, and many hundreds of tons of British and American food, clothing and military equipment were being dropped or landed every week. Subsequent to the arrival of the Russian mission, small quantities of food and weapons were occasionally dropped from De-8s which had been supplied to the Russians under lend-lease. The food that was dropped by the Russians was invariably of American origin.

Far from the Russians having urged the British Government to abandon Mihailovich in favour of Tito, Foreign Commissar Molotov, late in 1943, actually asked Anthony Eden, who was then British Foreign Secretary, whether the

British would mind if the Russians sent a mission to Mihailovich. Eden replied that the British Government had just decided to withdraw their missions from Mihailovich and concentrate their support entirely on Tito. In these circumstances, Eden suggested it would be more appropriate if the Russians sent a mission to Tito. This, a few months later, they did.

The British decision to withdraw their support from Mihailovich was based upon the following considerations:

1. The Tito movement had at least twice the popular backing that was enjoyed by Mihailovich.

2. To continue to support both movements would only have meant ensuring a major civil war, once the Germans were driven out.

3. Tito's Partisans had shown themselves capable of fighting in the most determined fashion against the German occupiers and were, in fact, holding down as many as 14 German divisions.

4. Though there was no evidence that Mihailovich personally had ever collaborated with the Germans, there was overwhelming evidence that nearly all his immediately subordinate commanders had done so.

JAVANICIN, THE GIANT-KILLER?

At the New Year I prophesied that during 1946 a very great advance in the war against tuberculosis might be announced.

I return to the subject because I have had so many letters from sufferers from the disease asking how things are going.

Naturally they think in terms of their own case, and it seems cruel to say that patience is needed, but it would be crueler still to suggest that anything has been discovered which may in a week or two miraculously cure the average patient. There never has been any likelihood that something will be found which, put into a bottle and taken by a patient, can cure the disease. Neither doctor nor medicine cures tuberculosis, but only nature plus perfect co-operation on the part of the patient. In the lungs of a consumptive a battle is being waged between a skillfully entrenched germ and the resources of the human body. Rest, peace of mind, and first-class nutrition give the body the extra resources for a counter-attack. The enemy either gives ground or makes no further advances.

Some patients have not got the natural resources required to keep the enemy at bay. But in any case, rest, sleep, food, sun, and air will always be the first needs.

Great Advances

Of course, the best way to root out tuberculosis is to prevent the disease before it has begun. Very great advances have come in the past five years. T.B. is an infectious disease. People can catch it from companions who have not the slightest idea that they are infectious.

By mass-radiography of hundreds of thousands of apparently healthy people, the small percentage of unknown dangerous people can be found out and helped in the earlier stages, both to fight the disease themselves and to avoid giving it to their companions. All this will remain a necessary part of the war against T.B. whatever is discovered. But there is one new thing which may soon be added, and which is a substance which will directly attack the germ itself. A great deal of work is being done in this direction, and it was to this that I referred in my previous article. There is nothing secret about this work.

New Drugs Tested

This is what can be said so far. Penicillin and he sulfonamide drugs revolutionised medicine because between them they are

able to destroy most of the dangerous bacteria which cause disease: pneumonia, syphilis, gonorrhoea, malaria, blood poisoning, and many others, but they have proved useless against the tuberculosis germ.

All over the world medical scientists are testing substances, many of which, like penicillin, come from moulds, in the hope that some substance will be found to attack the tuberculosis germ as effectively as penicillin attacks many other germs. They have discovered several such substances; one is called streptomycin, another javanicin. Streptomycin, investigated in the United States chiefly, kills the T.B. germ in the test-tube, but that is a long way from our knowing how to kill it in the human lung with this drug.

The difficulty is to entrench itself more successfully than any other germ, and the real problem will be whether streptomycin can be infiltrated into the skillfully hidden trenches.

Streptomycin has also suppressed, though not eradicated, T.B. in mice and guinea-pigs, and

By John Langdon-Davies

in one or two American hospitals it has reached the stage of human tests.

It is at present very difficult to manufacture, and that is holding up more general experiments. Supplies will shortly reach this country for experimental purposes only.

Meanwhile, workers at the Imperial College of Science, South Kensington, have found that their new anti-bacterial substance, javanicin, can also destroy human-type tubercle bacilli, but as yet only in test-tubes. There are grounds for hope in these experiments.

For example, javanicin compares well in strength with any of the other experimental drugs that are being tried out, and it still stops the germs growing when human serum is added to the mixture.

This is very important, because it suggests that the same effects may be ultimately produced in the human body as have been produced in a test-tube.

We must remember that at this early stage only tiny quantities of a drug like javanicin have ever been manufactured, sufficient for a few careful experiments.

If those experiments prove hopeful the next stage is to find ways of mass-producing the useful drugs, and we can feel quite sure that once streptomycin or javanicin, or the two or three other hopeful substances prove that they can do the job we all want done, their manufacture will be a No. 1 priority.

Hope For Patients

So that is the situation today. Positive hope for the future, hope based on scientific research done openly and followed with care by everybody responsible for fighting tuberculosis.

Don't imagine a secret remedy round the corner. Don't imagine there will ever be a time when the tubercular patient will be relieved of the responsibility of curing himself by carefully strengthening his natural resistances.

Don't imagine that anyone will ever get rid of tuberculosis as if it were a bad tooth, but patients can take courage from the fact that a new corner has been turned: a weapon against the tubercle bacillus itself has been found, and there are plenty of people working to find out how that weapon can be used to help them.

Car Prices Raised

Washington, May 2. The Office of Price Administration has raised the retail price of Buicks for General Motors automobiles by \$16 to \$60 to compensate for wage increases in the industry. Effective immediately, the increases range from \$16 to \$30 on Pontiac Oldsmobile, \$18 to \$33 on Buicks, \$24 to \$60 on Cadillacs.

An \$18 increase was ordered for the only Chevrolet model which had been priced prior to the 1944 cost pay increase recently granted by General Motors after a long strike.

On other Chevrolet models, priced for the first time, retail ceilings ranged from \$61 to \$68 above 1942 prices. OPA said some time ago that it expected factory price increases could be fully absorbed by dealers, but in announcing the new schedule, it said that factory price increases "have proven somewhat greater than anticipated." OPA reiterated that any further increases in factory prices will be passed on to the public. Associated Press.

FASCISTS NABBED

London, May 2. The Home Office gives a communique issued today by the Italian Minister of the Interior, announcing that the Italian police have arrested four persons in connection with the distribution of pamphlets, leaflets and other demonstratively pro-Fascist elements during the last 24 hours. Benter.

BRITAIN ASKS U.S. AID Should Share In Palestine Costs

Secrets Not So Secret

Washington, May 2.
The Senate Investigating Committee has reached a preliminary conclusion that present safe-guards on the secrecy of top United States military weapons are not tight enough to keep them out of the reach of foreign powers.

Chairman James Eastland, Democrat of Mississippi, said that indications point so strongly that way that a Senate Judiciary sub-committee intends to "go much further into the matter."

Eastland declared that a good many parts of war-time secret devices have now been declassified or made non-secret and that the cloak of war-time secrecy about certain industrial processes have been lifted. By buying parts and making use of this released knowledge, Eastland said, it appears that foreign powers can put together some devices which are still classed as being top secrets.

The Committee began its investigation amid reports that Russia is seeking to contract for purchases of electronic equipment.

Radio manufacturers are reported to have protested that as it is now written, a bill to amend the espionage laws and prohibit the sale or gift to a foreign government, or the national of a foreign government, of any electronic equipment, or any knowledge concerning it, is so broad that it would prohibit the export of even the simplest radio set.

State Department officials have said that they have not the authority to prevent the sale abroad of materials not classified by the War and Navy Departments as being secret.—Associated Press.

Herr Bormann Still At Large

Frankfurt, May 1.
Rumours that American secret agents and captured Martin Bormann, Nazi Germany's No. 2 Fuehrer were denied categorically yesterday by Brigadier-General Edwin I. Sibert, U.S. Intelligence Chief in Europe.

"There is nothing new on Bormann, Sibert said. "He is still a man we would like very much to get our hands on."

Sibert made his statement after he was confronted with reports circulating at Unset that Bormann had been apprehended. Another intelligence spokesman said the rumours apparently grew out of the arrest at Harmsdorf on April 16 of Hans Mueller, described as an aid to Bormann. The interrogation of Mueller is still under way and it was understood he had given little information of value concerning the Deputy-Fuehrer's whereabouts.—Associated Press.

TOSCANINI TO STAY AT HOME

Milan, May 2.
Arturo Toscanini, who returned to his native Italy last week after ten years in exile, has decided to refuse offers from many countries, including Britain, to conduct concerts there, so that he can stay in Italy indefinitely to devote himself to the revival of the nation's musical prominence, his son said here today.

Milan's famous Scala Theatre, which was badly damaged in an air raid in 1943, has been repaired, and is ready for the famous conductors of the country.—Reuter.

BRITISH WARSHIPS AT TRIESTE

Rome, May 2.
The Italian news agency Ansa reported yesterday that allied troops were streaming into Trieste to participate in the parade today commemorating the first anniversary of the allies' entry into the disputed city.

The agency said that two British cruisers and a frigate were anchored in the harbour.—Associated Press.

Private Armies Must Disarm

LONDON, MAY 2.
THE PRIME MINISTER, MR. CLEMENT ATTLEE, DECLARING IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS TODAY THAT THE EXECUTION OF THE REPORT OF THE ANGLO-AMERICAN COMMITTEE ON PALESTINE WOULD ENTAIL VERY HEAVY COMMITMENTS, SAID THAT THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT WISHED TO ASCERTAIN TO WHAT EXTENT THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT WOULD BE PREPARED TO SHARE THE RESULTING ADDITIONAL MILITARY AND FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITIES.

MR. ATTLEE SAID THAT IT WAS CLEAR FROM THE REPORT REGARDING PRIVATE ARMIES THAT IT WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF PALESTINE TO ALLOW THE ENTRY OF ANOTHER 100,000 JEWS UNTIL THESE FORMATIONS HAD BEEN DISBANDED AND THEIR ARMS SURRENDERED.

The British Government hoped that both the Jewish and Arab leaders would give counsel of patience and restraint.

The Prime Minister said: "The British Government desire to express their appreciation for the care and trouble which the Committee have devoted to the preparation of the report."

"They hope that it will prove to be a notable contribution to the solution of the Palestine problem and of the Jews in Europe, both of which they have so much at heart."

"The British Government received the report only last week. The British Government and the United States Government jointly appointed the Committee and the report is addressed to both governments."

"The British Government are now studying it and will consult with the United States Government as soon as possible."

"The report must be considered as a whole in all its implications. Its execution would entail very heavy immediate and long-term commitments."

U.S. Share.
"The British Government wish to be satisfied that they will not be called upon to implement the policy which would involve them singlehanded in such commitments and in the course of joint examination they wish to ascertain to what extent the Government of the United States will be prepared to share the resulting additional military and financial responsibilities."

"The report recognizes that 100,000 certificates for the admission of Jews to Palestine should be authorized immediately and awarded to far as possible in 1946 and that the actual immigration should be pushed forward as rapidly as conditions permit."

"Practical difficulties involved in the immediate reception and absorption of so large a number would obviously be very great."

"It is clear from the facts presented in the report regarding private armies maintained in Palestine and from their recent activities that it would not be possible for the Government of Palestine to admit so large a body of immigrants unless and until these formations have been disbanded and their arms surrendered."

Must Disarm
"As the report points out, private armies constitute a danger to the peace of the world and ought not to exist. Jews and Arabs in Palestine alike must disarm."

"The Committee have drawn attention to the failure of the Jewish Agency to cooperate in dealing with this evil and have expressed the view that the Agency should at once resume active and responsible cooperation with the mandatory power."

"The British Government regard it as essential that the Agency should take a positive part in the suppression of these activities."

"They hope that both Jewish and Arab leaders will give a counsel of patience and restraint. The British Government recognize that decisions must be taken as soon as possible."

"Meanwhile, the House will understand that I am unable to make any further statement."

Answering Mr. Winston Churchill, leader of the Opposition, Mr. Attlee said that the Government was entering immediately into discussions with the United States about joint action. The Government regarded the matter as urgent.—Reuter.

U. S. Opposition

Washington, May 2.
The British Prime Minister's suggestion that American military and financial assistance might be sought in preventing violence in Palestine drew quick opposition here today.

In Congress, which has demonstrated its intention to keep foreign military commitments to a security minimum, some

law-makers expressed the belief that Britain should turn to the United Nations rather than the United States for any aid in the way of armed forces.—Associated Press.

Gross Betrayal

New Delhi, May 2.
Mahomed Ali Jinnah, President of the Muslim League, declared yesterday that the report of the British-American Committee of Inquiry on Palestine was "the grossest betrayal of the promises made to the Arabs."—Associated Press.

Rajah Mystery Unsolved For 37 Years

London, May 2.
Britain's Privy Council, the Empire's Highest Court, has been asked to decide whether the Rajah of Bhowal was cremated on a coronal pyre 37 years ago, or whether he escaped from the flames and is today the rightful ruler of a Bengal estate yielding \$400,000 a year.

This bizarre case was brought to London by the Ranees of Bhowal on appeal from the High Court of Calcutta which ruled in 1941 that a man representing himself to be Ramendra Narayan Roy, the Rajah of Bhowal, was as he had represented himself, the true Rajah who had somehow escaped his flaming death on the altar of cremation.

The Ranees contend that the Rajah died on May 8, 1909, at the age of 25 and that his body was borne in a public procession afterward and burned at Darjeeling. The Ranees petitioned the court to declare her a widow and thus entitled to the income of a domain as large as England.

The man who says he is the Rajah claims that he was carried to the cremation grounds and lain on a funeral pyre, but a sudden monsoon squall dispersed the mourners before the torch was applied. The rain, he said, revived him and he was removed, finally, by a band of fakirs. He alleges that he then wandered around India for 12 years, suffering from loss of memory, but in 1921 he returned to his estate to reclaim his wife and title.

Some members of the Rajah's family have stated that they recognize him, but the Ranees maintain that he is not her husband. The case reaches the Council after 25 years of legal fights in India during which \$500,000 have been spent in law costs.—Associated Press.

Trouble Ahead In Malaya, Says Sultan

London, May 2.
The Sultan of Johore today described Britain's scheme for a Malayan Union as "an outright annexation of nine Malayan states" and predicted that there is "bound to be trouble."

Visiting London on his first holiday since Johore's liberation from the Japanese, the Sultan said in an interview that agreements with the British had been "signed under duress."

Now the Sultan realises, he added, "that they should have refused to sign them until their councils were reconstituted and for the first time in Malaya history, the people have criticised them."—Associated Press.

London, May 2.
A bill to control research and development of atomic energy was introduced in Parliament yesterday.—Associated Press.

Folled

London, May 2.
An attempt to blow up a British destroyer in Haifa harbour was foiled today by the discovery of a kitting filled with explosives in the mess room of a destroyer.—Reuter.

No Crown For This King

Jerusalem, May 2.
A colourful, typically Arabian ceremony is being planned for May 25 in Amman to formally elevate the 63-year-old Emir Abdullah to the role of king in his newly independent realm of Transjordan.

High Arab officials met in Jerusalem today to make plans for the "coronation" on Transjordan's independence day.

There will be no crown, for the Arabs do not believe in such symbols. The actual transition from emirate to kingship will be carried out by the reading by Premier Ibrahim Pasha Hashim of Transjordan of a proclamation declaring Transjordan a kingdom.

Tribesmen are expected to overrun Amman for a three-day festival following the "coronation." Arabian nights' dinners featuring whole roasted camel and sheep are planned.

The Arab legion is drafting plans to keep the throngs in check. One British officer in the legion said "It is logical to expect at least 30 deaths from the celebration." He said "The main danger is the Arab habit of firing rifles from horses."—Associated Press.

Arabs To Stage Strike In Protest

Jerusalem, May 2.
All Arabs of Palestine yesterday were instructed by the higher committee to strike on Friday as a protest against the terms of the Inquiry Committee report.

The decision was announced by the Arab office after a three-hour discussion by the higher committee.

Jamal Hussein, acting chairman of the committee, announced through the Arab office that the one-day strike was the only decision reached.

The Arab office denied and withdrew reports that the higher committee had telegraphed appeals to other Arab nations to join the strike which the office said "is merely the first step we will take to show our utmost dissatisfaction with this report."

There is no increase in the usual tension here. The number of soldiers on the streets, however, has been increased and in Jerusalem there are armoured patrols.—Associated Press.

Churchill Query On Egypt

London, May 2.
Mr. Winston Churchill, leader of the Opposition, said in the House of Commons today that he hoped the Prime Minister Mr. Clement Attlee, would bear in mind that on the question of the Anglo-Egyptian treaty negotiations, "there is a certain amount of anxiety."

Mr. Attlee replied: "I quite appreciate that."

The question of Egypt arose during the discussion which followed Mr. Attlee's statement on Palestine. Mr. Winston Churchill had asked if the Prime Minister would in the near future have a statement to make about the negotiations for a new treaty with Egypt. Mr. Attlee said that he had no statement to make immediately but would inform the House as soon as there was one.—Reuter.

BRITISH ATTITUDE ON RUHR

London, May 2.
"I hope I need not emphasise the fact that the British government fully recognize the interests of France in any question relating to the Ruhr and the Rhineland," Mr. Noel Baker, the Minister of State said in the House of Commons today in reply to questions from a Conservative member, asking whether the government was aware of the importance of the internationalization of the Ruhr from the point of view of world peace.

Mr. Baker said that the government was fully aware of the importance of the question, but he thought he had better not add to what he had already said.—Reuter.

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Killed By Fall Off 'Bus

A verdict of accidental death was returned at Kowloon Court yesterday when an inquiry was held into the circumstances surrounding a fatal accident that occurred in Lai-chikok Road on the night of April 15.

An 18-year-old cook-boy, Wong Chi-chai, of 142, Fa Yuen Street, 3rd floor, had been fatally injured when he fell off a moving bus. Evidence was given by a Kowloon Motor Bus Company inspector that he had advised the youth who was hanging on to the railing at the exit-steps, to get inside the bus as it was turning round at the terminus. Replying to a question from sub-insp. W. H. Cowie, Police Traffic Officer, the bus inspector, Mak Chuk, said that it was a usual occurrence that boys would hang on to the railing at the exit-steps to take a free ride.

He had called to the youth, witness stated, to get into bus which was not crowded. The youth had not followed his instruction. He had then felt the rear of the bus going over something and had rung the emergency bell. It was found that the rear wheels of the bus had gone over the deceased. The accident had occurred at the Shamshui terminus about 10.55 p.m. He had seen the boy holding on to the railing by his right hand.

Internal Injuries

Dr. Lui Kwai-to, medical officer attached to the Kwong Wah

Money Mart

May 1 was a holiday at the Chinese Gold and Silver Exchange. Yesterday the market re-opened with an uncertain undertone, and rates for GN and gold fluctuated within only narrow limits.

GN opened at \$2.20 for futures and \$2.30 for spot (per CN\$1,000) and closed at \$2.17 and \$2.34 respectively. Gold fluctuated between \$424 and \$427 per tael, and closed at the latter figure.

A sudden flood of sellers of U.S. dollars as a result of the visit of the U.S. Fleet brought the price down to \$6.02 for big notes and \$4.98 for small. English Sterling and Australian pounds had buyers at \$17.10 and \$12.65 respectively.

S'hai Exchange

Shanghai, May 2.
Closing quotations today were as follows:—
Gold per ounce: Buying CN\$162,000, Selling CN\$163,000.
U.S. dollar (usual market): Buying CN\$2,220, Selling CN\$2,240.
H.K. dollars: Buying CN\$430, Selling CN\$440. — Associated Press.

Appointed

The following appointments appeared in the Gazette yesterday:—

Mr. David Mercer MacDougall, C.M.G., to act as Colonial Secretary, Mr. George E. Strickland to act as Attorney-General, Mr. Ronald Ruskin Todd to act as Secretary for Chinese Affairs, Mr. Charles Geoffrey Shield Follows, C.M.G., to act as Financial Secretary, Mr. Claude Bramall Burgess to act as Clerk of Councils.

STEALS NUTS, BOLTS

Ma Yee, unemployed, was sentenced to a total of six months' hard labour by Mr. C. Y. Kwan at the Central Magistracy yesterday for stealing 30 cabbages of galvanised washers, nuts and bolts from the Naval Stores at Mackies wharf, North Point on April 28.

Accused was further charged with escaping from legal custody at the Bay View Police Station on April 29.

C.S.I. K. Y. Chan said that accused was arrested by two Indian guards when he committed the larceny. While accused was detained at the Police Station he escaped by climbing through a window and down a drainpipe.

Accused was arrested on information at Kowloon.

H.K.V.D.C. ORDERS

Orders by Lieut.-Col. H. Owen-Munroe, Commanding Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, Order No. 84, 2nd Mar. 1946.

Red Cross Supplies: Distribution to all members of H.K.V.D.C. and H.K.R.N.V.C. who were Prisoners of War on 15th August, 1945, on Friday the 3rd from 10.00 to 12.00 hrs. and 14.00 to 16.00 hrs. and on Saturday the 4th from 10.00 to 12.00 hrs. If unable to call in person, delivery will be made only against signed authorisation.

2. Dental: Those members of H.K.V.D.C. who have registered their names in January 1946 (Corps Order No. 10 dated 22 Jan. 46) referred to having attended the dental clinic but who have not had their dentures due to shortage of materials or their dental treatment completed, are to forward their names to this H.Q. Arrangements are then to be made for the work to be completed.

Hospital, said that the deceased had been brought by the police to the hospital at 11 p.m. on April 16. He found him to be suffering from shock and internal haemorrhage and had treated him accordingly. The boy had died at 11.45 p.m. the same night.

On the following day, Dr. Lui said, he had conducted a post-mortem and had found that death was due to internal haemorrhage. The deceased's injuries were consistent with such as would have been caused in being run over by a bus.

Leung Yau, a postman, gave evidence that he had been a passenger aboard the bus. He said that he had heard one of the conductors calling out to the boy, "Don't stand on the steps. It's dangerous." He also saw the inspector speak to the boy. In his opinion, witness said, neither the driver nor the inspector were in a position to see how exactly the boy had fallen off.

Food And Fuel Costs

The following are the official Food and Fuel costs for the week ending April 27, with comparisons:—

Commodities	Catties	Week ending 20.4.46	Week ending 27.4.46
Rice	7.2	\$ 1.440	\$ 1.440
Vegetables	1.9	.874	.817
Salt Cabbage	.2	.110	.100
Oil	.7	1.621	1.813
Tea	.2	.960	.960
Salt Fish	.3	.615	.705
Fish	.4	.576	.572
Pork	.3	1.137	1.086
Firewood	10.0	1.000	1.000
Bean Curd	14 pieces	.700	.700
Total		\$ 9.036	\$ 9.193

WHERE TO REPORT A DEAD BODY

A day and night telephone service for the reporting of infectious disease or death due to any cause requiring the immediate removal of a body has been instituted by the Health Authorities.

The public are strongly advised to make themselves acquainted with the situation and the telephone numbers of the Health Offices in the various districts of the Colony.

If a dead body is seen lying in a street it should be reported at once to the Health Authorities or the nearest police station. As much information as possible should be given because death in such a case, may be due to cholera, small-pox or other infectious diseases.

Sanitary nuisances, says an official statement, should be reported, preferably by letter. Such nuisances are very serious and dangerous.

Choked Drains

Choked drains, broken pipes, accumulations of garbage, all encourage the breeding of mosquitoes and flies and must be attended to at once.

The Health Offices, telephone numbers and the medical officers in charge for the various districts are as follows:—

Eastern District: Medical Officer-in-charge, Dr. Graham Cumming, 219, Queen's Road, East, Tel: 20440 & 39278. The Eastern District lies to the east of Garden Road and includes Shauiwan, Stanley and Shek O.

Central District: Medical Officer-in-charge, Major A. S. Moodie, top floor, Central Market, Tel. 34039. — The Central District area includes the area between Garden Road and Cleverley Street and includes the Peak.

Western District: Medical Officer-in-charge, Dr. A. H. Skinner, 29, Pokfulam Road, Tel. 39279 and 39636.

Kowloon: Kowloon Disinfecting Station, Kwong Wah Street, Medical Officer-in-charge, Dr. E. E. Duck, Tel. 59700 and 59746.

TREASON CASE

The case against five Indians and two Chinese, charged under the Defence Regulations or with High Treason was again remanded for one week by Mr. George She at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon.

The accused were Wadumull Chaturani and Mohammed Sadiq, a former policeman, Chao To, charged under the Defence Regulations of 1940, and Ghandan Inlons, alias Man Singh, Jassa Singh, Mohammed Asgar, Lau Kwong-yan, who were charged with High Treason.

W.M. THOMSON

It is reliably learned that the appointment will be announced shortly of Mr. W. M. Thomson as head of the Department of Supply, Transport and Industry and concurrently head of the Imports and Exports Department.

Mr. Thomson, in the Military Administration, was Deputy Chief Civil Affairs Officer (Civil) with the rank of colonel.

Charge Under Defence Regs.

Fakir Mohammed el Arculli, 40, journalist, of 1 Leighton Hill Road, was charged under the Defence Regulations, 1940, before Mr. George She late on Tuesday evening.

The charge alleged that Arculli, during or about the month of November, 1944, and on divers dates thereafter and between that month and about the month of February, 1945, in the Colony of Hong Kong, did do acts likely to assist the enemy or to prejudice the efficient prosecution of the war.

Mr. M. A. da Silva asked for a remand of one week, and this was granted.

Readers' Letters

Task Force 77

Sir,—Dear Task Force 77, we Hongkongites are more than pleased to welcome you to our town. We like to meet you, we don't mind you eating our slim food supplies in our restaurants (for we realise we owe you a debt of gratitude) and we like to see you having a good time, but please please, don't throw crackers in our streets and don't molest our womenfolk. We've had a bad time in the last four years under the Nips, with tortures, beatings, living always under the shadow of fear, dread, the knock at the door. Our nerves are still in that condition known as shell-shocked, and if you don't stop throwing crackers at us we'll all end up as nervous breakdown cases. So please give us a break, boys. Have a good time while you are here but don't disturb the peace.

ANTI-NOISE.

Sheep And Goats

Sir,—I did not celebrate the return of our civil service servants yesterday. Some of those men, even seniors, who flouted their chiefs' order to evacuate their families have been reappointed, though that flouting caused much additional hardship to other right minded and more obedient citizens. It has been a lovely war for these same individuals for they and families lived scotfree, while they their bank balances have been bolstered by their full salary for four years, the equivalent of a lifetime's savings. What uncivil servant can hope to save even ten per cent of his monthly wage while providing for a handsome pension?

Have these gratuities been paid out of the "war taxation" cheerfully contributed by us others for 1942/43 in the full of 1941? I have been told that the capture of Hong Kong broke all contracts so under what quibble has this imposition been placed on the taxpayer?

There are sheep and there are goats—aye, goats. There is another side to this. I spent the morning holiday now at last available after eight months. Unsymmetrical it is, grimly admitting no responsibility for nor liability to recompense the others for their sufferings and loss of past savings, for the ordinary internee's family had to dig into his capital to exist.

Depressed by the inventory of my losses—treasured oddments of years and my home—I visited the Peak in the afternoon in search of relaxation. Many of the houses there, habitable or nearly so in September, are now completely wrecked by looters. Such is reconstruction under Army administration. Some owners have been told they should have put in armed guards. Why? The few of us who were not bundled out of camp ridden with disease were summarily told to quit and leave the Administration to it. The least we might surely expect against our return was the protection of what little remained to us. In its land leases Government binds itself to give full enjoyment and quiet possession to the lessee; there is no "provided state army to protect his property in evil times."

If Government were to spend on protection but a trifle of the amount now being squandered at current prices on the reconstruction of Civil Servants' residences it might properly be fulfilling one of its obligations.

And the destruction is still cheerfully going on side by side with that reconstruction. Passing a ruin not far from these Government houses I was attracted to

investigate the noise of breaking timber. A brawny ruffian was smashing what remained of a ceiling while another quietly-wired the bundles for easier transportation. This in broad daylight. We are told of patrols. Far from the scene I met two ancient flat-foot, armed to the teeth with their blunderbusses creeping up Stubbs Road chattering volubly the while, perhaps to warn any looters of their slow approach and save them any inconvenience.

House or business, it is the same for the civilian. Even after eight months the Government here has given no inkling of compensation but the Chancellor at home has told Parliament that Japan can repay only "a tiny fraction" of the damage. Why this insistence on Japan only?

Our losses it is understood are to be computed at that silly "1938 replacement cost." What has 1938 to do with our re-habilitation? What we want is replacement of our homes and property, not bulging bank balances; we leave those to the others including the Japs! laborators (they helped the Japs) who bought our treasures in Gatt Street for a song after the surrender, knowing full well they were looted property and are now enjoying quiet possession of them. After this lesson why sweat to have—let us boost inflation by spending to forget.

COLONIAL.

Satisfied?

Sir,—Having read "Satisfied?" last two communications to your paper, we feel we cannot restrain our strong "emotions" excited by real or fancied injuries, and that the desire for retaliation must be satisfied.

We should like to point out that, contrary to "Satisfied's" opinion, the sentiments expressed by B.O.R. regarding females abroad are not those of one man alone but of the vast majority of all Servicemen.

In passing, we should like to extend our sympathy to "Satisfied" upon his inability to restrain his emotions. He must find it difficult in society though, maybe, this explains his popularity with the females in question.

R.H., R.H. B.O.R.

"Intituled"

Sir,—I notice the Legislative Council had before it three bills "intituled" Ordinances. I cannot find this word in the Concise Oxford Dictionary, so presume it is archaic. Some of these old terms are preserved for legal reasons—but what is wrong with "entitled" in this instance? Both presumably come from the Latin "titulus," a title.

"MODERN ENGLISH"

Answer To Correspondent "A Human Being": The officer to whom you refer appears to be what is known as a respectable type, but we cannot publish your letter however much we may agree with the sentiments expressed because, among other reasons, you omitted to provide your name and address.—Ed.

STOLE A GATE

Pleading guilty to the larceny of a pair of iron gates from the Children's Recreation Ground, Chatham Road, an unemployed Chinese, Lam Fuk, 49, was sentenced to two months' hard labour by Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon Court yesterday.

Sub-insp. Askew, prosecuting, said that the accused had been seen by Police Constable 1119 carrying an iron gate with another man in Chatham Road about 4.20 p.m. on April 30. On seeing the constable the two men had dropped the gate and ran. The constable gave chase and arrested accused.

NO LICENCE

The managers of two cafes in Wanchoi were summoned before Mr. George She at the Central Magistracy yesterday for selling intoxicating liquor without a licence on April 19.

Cheng Lai-sang, manager of the Metropole Cafe, Thomson Road, was fined \$150.

C.S.I. Wong said that the accused's premises were inspected by Sub-insp. Saunders on April 19, and several sailors were having beer on the flat. When asked for the licence, accused stated that they had no licence.

The other accused was Lai Yinkit, of the Australian Cafe, Luand Road, who was fined \$60 for the same offence.

MOVIE TICKET RACKETEER

For racketeering in theatre tickets at the Cathay Theatre, Wanchai Road, on Wednesday, Lau Tik, was fined \$5 by Mr. F. J. Ainslie at the Central Magistracy yesterday.

Accused was arrested by Chinese detective Lai Man-yan in possession of five tickets for the middle stalls of the Cathay Theatre, exposed for sale.

A cocktail party in honour of the re-union of members of the staff will be held at the Hong Kong Bank today at 6.15 p.m. The party is being given by Mr. A. Morris, Chief Manager of the H.K. & Shanghai Banking Corporation.

Insanitary Condition Of Damaged Houses

AN URGENT CALL TO PROPERTY OWNERS TO PUT DAMAGED AND NEGLECTED BUILDINGS INTO PROPER SANITARY CONDITION IS MADE TODAY BY THE HEALTH AUTHORITIES.

AN OFFICIAL STATEMENT SAYS THAT THE SANITARY CONDITIONS OF MANY DAMAGED AND NEGLECTED BUILDINGS ARE VERY BAD. SQUATTERS ARE THE CHIEF CAUSE OF THE TROUBLE BECAUSE THE ABSENCE OF PROPER SANITARY ARRANGEMENTS LEADS THEM TO FOUL THE FLOORS AND YARDS.

It is essential that these premises should be made inaccessible to unauthorised persons. Some landlords have done this, but the majority have not. It is pointed out that it is not a difficult matter in most instances to block up doors and windows and other entrances with old bricks and barbed wire.

Failure to do this constitutes a serious danger to public health and it is a matter that must be remedied without delay.

Heavy Penalties: Attention is directed to the legal responsibilities of property owners to keep their premises in good sanitary condition. Under the Summary

Offences Ordinance and the Public Health (Sanitation) Ordinance, heavy penalties may be imposed on any one who fails to comply with the requirements to keep their premises in good sanitary condition.

If the necessary requirements have not been carried out within a stated period, the work may be done by the Government at the owner's expense.

Gunner John Gunderson was charged with assaulting Mr. Hueti outside the Hong Kong Hotel on May 2 before Mr. George She at the Central Magistracy yesterday morning. Accused failed to appear in Court and his bail of \$40 was exonerated. Inspector H. Sell prosecuted.

Jap. General Sents To S'hai For Trial

U.S. Embassy For Manila

Manila, May 1. High Commissioner of the Philippines Paul McNutt indicated yesterday that the United States will be opening an embassy here after the Philippines gains her independence on July 4.

The High Commissioner said that Nathaniel P. Davis, of the State Department, has been appointed as his Special Assistant and is now drawing up comprehensive recommendations for the embassy.

Unofficially, it is expected that Davis will become minister-counselor of the United States diplomatic establishment. — Associated Press.

Film Review

Walt Disney is one of the most interesting personalities in the film world today, for of all the cartoonists who have been making this type of film since the silent days he is the only one to treat his medium with imagination and real artistry. He was an innovator in the use of colour for cartoon work. In fact he was using Technicolor exclusively long before the major studios were even considering its use for a few of their productions. The use of music as an integral part of the action was something else entirely thought of when Disney started to use it. He was the first to use the movies could talk, that the intelligent use of sound was rather rare. Disney's latest achievement can be seen in the "Three Caballeros" (at the Alhambra and Central from today), the simultaneous appearance on the screen of live actors and cartoon characters. Whether this technical "tour de force" will prove as important to the screen generally as his other ideas, remains to be seen.

The purpose behind this film and its forerunner "Saludos Amigos" must be understood if the ideas involved are to be realized. The intent of these two films was the promotion of better understanding between the North and South Americans, a part of the United States "Good Neighbor Policy." Disney and his collaborators went to South America for many months to make films, took notes and painted pictures of the life of the people of the continent. All this was shown in "Saludos Amigos." In the "Three Caballeros" then, we are shown more of the interesting life of these people, a sort of "conducted tour" in the able hands of Donald Duck.

Essentially this is a series of short cartoons on the plan of the "Silly Symphonies" with links by live action and cartoon sequences. The music is of the usual high Disney standard—catchy, singable tunes. "The Three Caballeros" cannot fail to be popular for its colour, music and humour in abundance. G.W.A.

POST OFFICE NOTICES

MAIL NOTICE

OUTWARD MAILS

Friday, 3rd May.			
Macao & Tientsin	Kwong Fook Cheung	9.00 a.m.	
Kowloon	Hing Cheong	9.00 a.m.	
Shanghai	Fukang	10.00 a.m.	
Airmail for London, Calcutta, Rangoon, Singapore, Sydney & Auckland	By Air	(Reg.) 1.45 p.m.	(Ord.) 2.00 p.m.
Strait, Ceylon, India, East & South Africa, Aden & Egypt	Malice Flier	3.00 p.m.	
Canton	Sai On	4.00 p.m.	
Saturday, 4th May.			
Macao & Tientsin	Kwong Sai	10.00 a.m.	
Holhow	Wing Lee	10.00 a.m.	
Haiphong	Mabato	10.00 a.m.	
Singapore	Huiyang	10.00 a.m.	
Airmail for Canton & Shanghai	C.N.A.C. Plane	(Reg.) 3.15 p.m.	(Ord.) 3.30 p.m.
Canton	Kwongtung	4.00 p.m.	
Sunday, 5th May.			
Macao & Tientsin	Kwong Fook Cheung	9.00 a.m.	
S.A., Canada, Central & South America via Seattle	Gilbert Stewart	(Parcels) 9.45 a.m.	(Reg.) 10.00 a.m.
Singapore & Bangkok	Edna	10.00 a.m.	
Holhow	Wing Hing	10.00 a.m.	
Canton	Fahsan	4.00 p.m.	
Monday, 6th May.			
Macao & Tientsin	Kwong Sai	10.00 a.m.	
Singapore & Bangkok	Hernellia	10.00 a.m.	
Airmail for London, Calcutta, Durban, Rangoon, Singapore, Sydney & Auckland	By Air	(Reg.) 1.45 p.m.	(Ord.) 2.00 p.m.
Australia via Sydney	Empire Joy	(Parcels) 2.30 p.m.	(Reg.) 2.45 p.m.
Airmail for Canton & Holhow	C.N.A.C. Plane	(Reg.) 3.15 p.m.	(Ord.) 3.30 p.m.
Canton	By Train	4.00 p.m.	

An American destroyer escort brought a Japanese major-general to Shanghai from Hong Kong for trial on a charge of being responsible for the execution of an American army air force flier who was shot down on a mission from the China Theatre.

The officer is Maj.-Gen. Haruo Fukuchi, who was Chief of Staff for Lieut.-Gen. Tanaka, commanding the 23rd Army and former military governor of Hong Kong. During Tanaka's absence, Fukuchi was Acting Commander of the Colony at the time of the airman's trial and his subsequent execution while tied to a small cross.

An interpreter and two army sergeants were brought with the Major-General as witnesses. The American victim was Maj. David Houck, and he was executed by a firing squad while kneeling on the ground with his arms bound to a small cross which was built for a grave headpiece. The charge against Houck was that he had strayed a non-military objective.

The interpreter told an Associated Press correspondent on route to Shanghai that the charge against the flier was that he had strafed a ship carrying civilians.

Plea Ignored

American war crimes investigators who worked on the case immediately after the Japanese surrender reported that Major Houck's "trial" was conducted wholly in Japanese and that his final plea at the site of the execution—that he had only been performing his military duty—was ignored by the Japanese officer in charge of the execution.

The Japanese party was sent to Shanghai after Major W. F. Monck, of the war crimes branch of the China Theatre Judge Advocate's Department, went to Hong Kong and Singapore to obtain their release to the American military. — Associated Press.

FISH CONFISCATED

A merchant, Tso Yuk-wah, 17, of No. 67, Island Road, was charged before Mr. C. Y. Kwan at the Central Magistracy yesterday with selling or dealing in salted fish wholesale without a permit on April 30.

Inspector Saul of No. 7 Police Station, said that accused was seen by a Chinese Police sergeant to take two baskets of salt fish to the Wai Lung shop at Mei Fong Street. Questioned he admitted that he sold them to the shop. A fine of \$250 was imposed and the fish confiscated.

FINED FOR SPEEDING

Charles Gray was summoned before Mr. George She at the Central Magistracy yesterday for speeding at Hennessy Road on April 19.

Traffic Inspector Hadden said that accused was seen driving along Hennessy Road at a speed over 38 miles per hour. He was stopped by a Naval patrol car and was told that it was a congested road.

A fine of \$75 was imposed.

Siam's New Programme

Bangkok, May 2. The Siamese Government's new economic programme calls for a 200,000,000 baht loan (approximately £4,300,000) for urgent expenditures. Banks will finance the loan, and it is hoped that one effect will be the absorption of money which is now inflating the cost of living.

At the same time, however, the Government is contemplating increases in official salaries, and is to grant lump payments to personnel discharged from the fighting services.

Much of the increase in crime reported from upcountry is said to be due to the sudden demobilization of the army, the men being given no gratuity.

The loan will also finance agricultural reforms.

Government lotteries, a popular feature in both city and country, are now to be held three times a month. First prize has been fixed at 100,000 baht (approximately £2,150), with scores of other prizes down to sums of several hundred baht. — Reuter.

CHAOS IN KOREA

New York, May 2. Yong Jeung Kim, president of the Korean Affairs Institute of America, today urged immediate and simultaneous withdrawal of Russian and American forces from Korea who are "creating chaos in the land of the Morning Calm."

Kim told the American Council of the Institute of Pacific Relations that Koreans, who expected immediate freedom without strings, "find Russian and American attachments." "This division of Korea continues," he said. "It is not only a division but a partition. After suffering at the hands of the enemy the Koreans suffer at the hands of their friends."

Kim condemned the Moscow trusteeship agreement. — Associated Press.

Shakespeare In Chinese

The first Chinese translation of the complete works of Shakespeare, by Prof. Tso Wei-feng, is near completion, and the first ten volumes are to be published in Shanghai on June 1.

It is learned that Prof. Tso, the translator, has been working for the last 15 strenuous years in his great task. So far he has completed the translation of twenty-one plays for publication, with several others under revision, and a few more to be completed.

The first series of ten volumes to be published on June 14 by the Interculture Incorporated, include the following famous Shakespearean masterpieces: "The Tempest, Midsummer Night's Dream, Merchant of Venice, As You Like It, Antony & Cleopatra, King Lear, Romeo & Juliet, Macbeth, Hamlet, and Two Gentlemen from Verona."

PETROL FOUND

An application for the restitution to No. 1 Pool, R.A.F., of 352 gallons of petrol, and eight drums found on March 22 at No. 900, Canton Road, ground floor, was granted by Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon Court yesterday.

F.L. J. B. Wilson stated in evidence that the drums, containing N.T. petrol and 80 octane aviation petrol were definitely R.A.F. property.

The U.S.S. Cummings and an American tank landing ship have left Saigon with 738 Chinese repatriates for the Hong Kong area. A total of 240 men, three women and one child, are returning to the Colony, and 341 men, 37 women and seven children are for the Boca Tigris area.

Paris, May 2.

Four Frenchmen were killed and ten others seriously wounded in a clash between French and Indo-Chinese at Haiphong, Tonkin, according to a French press agency today. — Reuter.

THE CAPITAL OF CHINA

Nanking, May 2. This city has officially become the capital of China, amid reports that the postponed National Assembly will convene about June 1.

Chen Li-fu, Minister of Organisation, told a press conference that the Assembly is charged with drafting a revised Chinese constitution and might convene in a month's time.

There is some newspaper speculation, however, that the Government might not meet before Autumn. (In Chungking, Government formally decreed that Nanking is now the Chinese capital and observed that post-war reconstruction tasks are heavier than the task of carrying on the war had been, and called on the people to help lift China to prosperity.)

General Ho Ying-ching was quoted in the influential Chinese newspaper "Ta Kung-Pao" as saying:

"I do not think that I want to be Chief of Staff in the future National Defense Ministry. I was Minister of War for 14 years and Chief of Staff for eight years."

He indicated that he thought that was quite long enough, and said that he had requested the Generalissimo to send him to the United Nations' Chief-of-Staff Conference to be held in New York. — Associated Press.

CATHOLICSE WARNED: "NEW SOCIAL WAR"

(Continued from Page 1)

caused the downfall of the great warrior Hannibal. The Carthaginians were not defeated by war, but by peace.

"Has peace defeated us, too? People say that there are no social problems in Spain, but they forget that still waters, when they run deep, undermine even mountains. Many of the Chairs of Sociology which formerly existed have been done away with. Among the workers, the desire for work and the will to work have become deadened. The majority of the ruling classes, too busy making money, comply with the demands of the State, and think that by doing so, they do more than their duty. But they overlook the fact that 'that which is given because it must be given, arouses no gratitude.'"

New Attila

"The rumblings of a new social war can already be heard in the distance. The sound of the galloping of the horses of the new Attila is approaching, a new Attila who wants to dominate the world with his Communist plan, beginning with the conquest of the workers. Communist internationalism is knocking on every door, and strong bars and bolts are needed to keep out the enemy. He cannot be overcome with arms and ammunition for where there is nothing spiritual, there is every reason for Communism to exist."

An Augustinian monk, Father Ibeas, criticised the Church for the inroads made by Communism in Spain, a traditionally Catholic country.

Commenting on the disproportion between wages and the cost of living in Spain, he declared that Communism is born of the general "de-Christianisation" of the world arising from the lack of a real feeling of social responsibility among the clergy.

Real Catholicism

Social Catholicism, he declared, is the only real Catholicism, and if today it is forced to fight its way laboriously in a Catholic country, it is only yet another proof of the degree of de-Christianisation of that country. "There came a time when religion confined itself to cultivating the spiritual man, with the excuse that it was not its place to intervene in worldly affairs."

"With the rise of capitalism and its exploitations, there appeared on the scene 'saviours' of the people, intelligent, fiery, and often extremely generous. They were the enthusiastic interpreters of the hopes and sufferings of the oppressed classes, for whom they obtained, by their constant and cleverly-managed negotiations, such economic and social reforms as they could never have hoped to obtain for themselves. 'The masses have always been won over by facts and benefits, by deeds and not by words. The Priesthood today is out of contact with the masses and to win them over, they must become their refuge, their advisers, and the defenders of their rights.' — Reuter.

U.S. Correspondents Detained

Changchun, May 2. Five American correspondents have been detained in Changchun by the Communists under "protective" house arrest since April 16.

The correspondents have protested repeatedly that they are being held under armed guard. Once they were permitted to walk under guard through the city.

"TOP SECRET" FLAYED

London, May 2. General Bedell Smith, Chief of Staff to General Dwight Eisenhower during the war and now United States Ambassador to Russia, in an exclusive interview with the "News Chronicle" last night, refuted the charges levelled against Eisenhower and Field-Marshal Montgomery by the journalist Ralph Ingersoll in his new book "Top Secret."

Bedell Smith said: "If Ingersoll says Eisenhower could have ended the war by Christmas, 1944, then to me it means that his opinion as to the capacity of any senior commander is not worth the paper on which it is written. For a non-professional soldier to criticize a soldier in the way Ingersoll has done would be as if I started criticizing a brain surgeon on some highly delicate operation."

Ingersoll was in "no position to know whether the war could have ended at Christmas, 1944, or at any other time."

Tactical Judgment

Asked by the "Chronicle" correspondent what he thought of Ingersoll's allegations that Eisenhower was appointed without full regard to his military capacity, General Bedell Smith said: "I am completely familiar with the considerations which prompted the selection of Eisenhower, and these were based purely on his military ability. I am no hero worshipper, but Eisenhower's tactical judgment was the best of any officer I have ever met."

Of Field-Marshal Montgomery the General said: "I consider him one of the greatest leaders produced by the war." — Reuter.

Drifting To Civil War In Poland?

Warsaw, May 2. Incoming foreign press messages continue to be censored in Poland, despite the Foreign Ministry's announcement a fortnight ago that censorship will be removed.

Informed sources said that the Ministry's directive has been countermanded by the secret police. Meanwhile the tightening within Poland is coincident with a warning by Polish "Peasant Party" leaders that the nation is drifting toward "civil war."

One newspaper in Poland reported that it has been censored 300 times within one month while another one reported 50 percent of its copy which it had intended printing, had been destroyed. — Associated Press.

INDIAN COMPLAINT

Washington, May 2. An authoritative Indian source said today the United States authorities estimate that they will have more than 800,000 tons of cereals available for needy countries during May, but not one pound has been allotted to India.

The source of this report, who declined to be named, said 152,000 tons of American cereals had been allotted to Japan for May, despite the recommendation of the Far East Commission that the United States reorganise its policy for cereal shipments to that country. — Associated Press.

been won over by facts and benefits, by deeds and not by words. The Priesthood today is out of contact with the masses and to win them over, they must become their refuge, their advisers, and the defenders of their rights." — Reuter.

Two of their cameras were seized. They are adequately lodged and are able to buy food. They request that official steps be taken to secure their release and have them safely taken to Mukden.

(Sino-American truce Headquarters reported in Peiping, that the Chinese said that technical problems were delaying the plans to fly out the correspondents.)

In a protest to Mao Tse-tung, Chief of the Communist Party, the correspondents said "General Chow Tse-chun, Commander of Changchun, explained that we were detained to 'protect our safety' against Kuomintang detectives."

"We have made three offers since April 19 to sign a document relieving Communists of responsibility for our safety in this now peaceful city, but each offer was refused. The Tass correspondent has full freedom of movement."

Humiliating

We found it humiliating to walk about Changchun under an armed guard before the eyes of thousands of Japanese including former enemy soldiers who are roaming about freely. Consequently, we no longer take advantage of this doubtful privilege.

"Our detention violates the principles of the freedom of the press enunciated at Yenan and in our discussion with Communist representatives in Chungking and Peiping. As correspondents who have consistently reported Communist and Kuomintang views neutrally we demand our immediate freedom." — Associated Press.

G.I.s. Not To Arm-in-Arm It With Frauleins

Berlin, May 2. Major-General Walter Keating, immediately upon assuming command of the American Army garrison here, demanded that his staff halt public demonstrations of affection between American soldiers and German girls.

Major-General Keating also told all officers of the United States in the Berlin area that they themselves were to lead their troops back to a more austere life. "We cannot control what happens behind doors, but we can control what happens in public—and we shall," the commanding officer declared.

He complained particularly about United States soldiers who strolled through streets with their arms around German girls. — Associated Press.

U.N.O. To Hear Both Sides

New York, May 2. The United Nations Security Council sub-committee that is investigating the Spanish question called for all members to contribute information bearing on Spain and, in effect, invited both the Franco regime and the exiled Spanish republicans to present their bitterly opposed arguments. The investigators, after their first secret meeting yesterday, said they would welcome any information from any source. This open invitation would permit the Franco regime to offer evidence to offset contributions already presented to the Council by Spanish republicans through the Polish Delegate, Oscar Lange, in his demand for a collectible United Nations break with Madrid. — Associated Press.

RAINS CAME TOO LATE

Chicago, May 2. Rains came to sections of the parched western winter wheat belt today, reviving hopes that the area would still be able to produce a good crop. Heavy rains also fell in mid-western corn lands.

Reports from Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas, however, say that the drought has already spoiled the wheat crop. Some sections will not raise more than 50% of last year's crop. — Associated Press.

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SATURDAY EVENING

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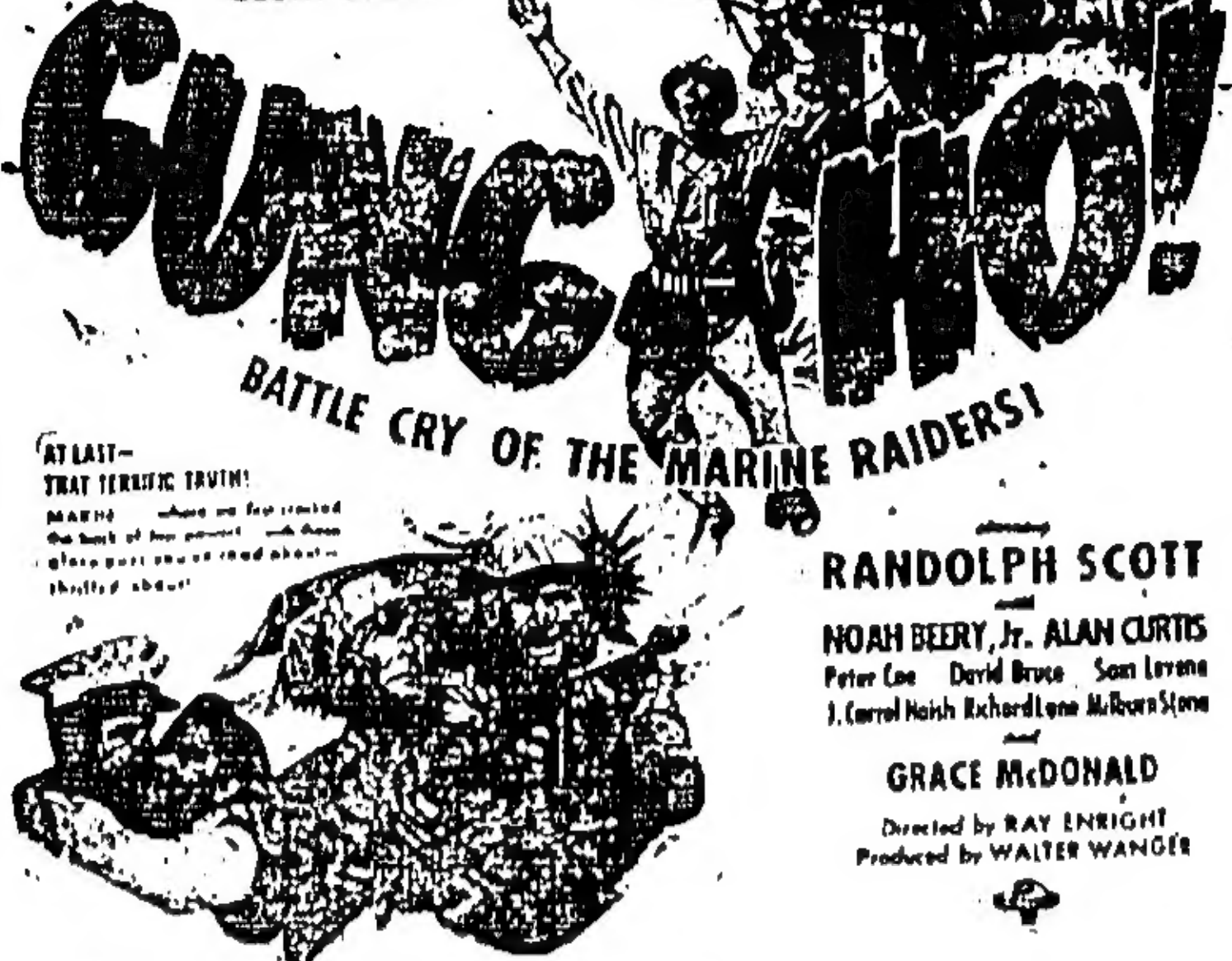
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Molotov-Byrnes Clash At Paris Conference

PARIS, MAY 2. PROBLEMS CONNECTED WITH THE ITALIAN PEACE TREATY WILL BE STUDIED BY THE DEPUTIES OF THE "BIG FOUR" FOREIGN MINISTERS TODAY, AND THE SECOND CONTEMPLATED MEETING OF THE FOREIGN MINISTERS THEMSELVES WAS NOT HELD.

IT IS BELIEVED THAT THE SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTER, MR. MOLOTOV, AND MR. JAMES BYRNES, U. S. SECRETARY OF STATE, CLASHED OVER THE QUESTION OF MAINTAINING THE ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION TO WATCH OVER THE EXECUTION BY ITALY OF THE TREATY TERMS.

Setting The Stage For India Talks

Simla, May 2. Yesterday saw the mass exodus of political leaders from New Delhi for Simla, where the fateful stage of the constitutional negotiations has been transferred, and where the tripartite talks between the Cabinet Mission and Indian political leaders open on Sunday.

Field Marshal Viscount Wavell, Viceroy, and the Cabinet Mission arrived here shortly after midday. Dr. Abdul Kalam Azad, Congress President, with his colleagues beat the Mission to Simla by a few minutes. The other two Congress delegates, Pandit Nehru and Dr. Abdul Ghaffar Khan, are leaving by a special train tonight with Mr. M. K. Gandhi.

Just when the Muslim League leaders are to go to Simla is expected to be decided by the Muslim League Committee at its meeting today.—Reuter.

Lin Yu-tang's Daughter Married

Boston, May 2. Adet Lin, daughter of Lin Yu-tang, the Chinese writer, married Richard Blow two weeks ago in a quiet ceremony at the home of a justice of the peace, they celebrated last night.

They have redecorated a small flat near the Boston elevated railway tracks near the waterfront.

They met a few years ago while Adet and Blow's sister were attending Dalton Academy, in New York City, then separated for two years while she was in China and he was ferrying planes across the Atlantic as an American navy lieutenant.

"We finally went back to New York, both of us, and here we are," Blow said. "That's about all there is to it."—Associated Press.

Prisoners Tortured

London, May 1. The Spanish Republican House here declared yesterday that Falangist gangs had overpowered the guards at the Modelo Prison in Barcelona and tortured 560 Republican prisoners.

A press communique stated that "public mass demonstrations" were held in Spain against Franco's regime on the anniversary of the proclamation of the Republic.

"The Falangists answered back by unleashing a new reign of terror" the statement added. "Another 25 patriots are in dire danger of being executed," it said.—Associated Press.

Traffic Accidents

Chicago, May 1. Persons killed in the nation's traffic accidents during the first three months of this year number 8,120, an increase of 44 per cent over the corresponding figures in 1945, the National Safety Council states.

The Council estimated 38,000 traffic fatalities for 1946 on the basis of the present figures and seasonal trends. An all-time high of 39,969 persons killed is the record of 1941; 8,250 persons were killed during the first three months of that year.—Associated Press.

MAHARAJAH'S NEW YORK TRIP

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Cairo, May 2. Abdul Azzam Pasha, secretary general of the Arab league of seven middle eastern states, told the Associated Press yesterday that the league would "take all measures" against the Anglo-American committee's report on Palestine.

"The report is very harmful," Azzam said, "and the harm comes from the fact it would encourage elements of terrorism and continual disturbances and would push the peace loving Arabs to desperation."

"It will have very bad consequences for the situation in Palestine."

The report of the Anglo-American committee did not try to solve the Palestine problem and did not give any details we do not already know. The Arab league will take all measures against this report."

Azzam said what forms those measures would take will be determined by the league members.—Associated Press.

U.N.O. Plunges Into Spain Discussion

New York, May 2. The United Nations Security Council sub-committee of investigation of Spain plunged today into a mass of 467 separate documents on the Spanish question at its final secret meeting.

A communique said that most of the communications recommended recognition of the Spanish Republican Government.

"Some advocate that a new regime should be established in Spain on the basis of a free democratic election," it said.

Only five communications were favourable to Generalissimo Francisco Franco. They objected to any interference in Spain's internal affairs.

The documents were communications from individuals and not governmental agencies, received this year.

The sub-committee instructed the United Nations secretary general to ask all United Nations to supply all relevant material on the Spanish question.—Associated Press.

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Setting The Stage For India Talks

Simla, May 2. Yesterday saw the mass exodus of political leaders from New Delhi for Simla, where the fateful stage of the constitutional negotiations has been transferred, and where the tripartite talks between the Cabinet Mission and Indian political leaders open on Sunday.

Field Marshal Viscount Wavell, Viceroy, and the Cabinet Mission arrived here shortly after midday. Dr. Abdul Kalam Azad, Congress President, with his colleagues beat the Mission to Simla by a few minutes. The other two Congress delegates, Pandit Nehru and Dr. Abdul Ghaffar Khan, are leaving by a special train tonight with Mr. M. K. Gandhi.

Just when the Muslim League leaders are to go to Simla is expected to be decided by the Muslim League Committee at its meeting today.—Reuter.

Lin Yu-tang's Daughter Married

Boston, May 2. Adet Lin, daughter of Lin Yu-tang, the Chinese writer, married Richard Blow two weeks ago in a quiet ceremony at the home of a justice of the peace, they celebrated last night.

They have redecorated a small flat near the Boston elevated railway tracks near the waterfront.

They met a few years ago while Adet and Blow's sister were attending Dalton Academy, in New York City, then separated for two years while she was in China and he was ferrying planes across the Atlantic as an American navy lieutenant.

"We finally went back to New York, both of us, and here we are," Blow said. "That's about all there is to it."—Associated Press.

Prisoners Tortured

London, May 1. The Spanish Republican House here declared yesterday that Falangist gangs had overpowered the guards at the Modelo Prison in Barcelona and tortured 560 Republican prisoners.

A press communique stated that "public mass demonstrations" were held in Spain against Franco's regime on the anniversary of the proclamation of the Republic.

"The Falangists answered back by unleashing a new reign of terror" the statement added. "Another 25 patriots are in dire danger of being executed," it said.—Associated Press.

Traffic Accidents

Chicago, May 1. Persons killed in the nation's traffic accidents during the first three months of this year number 8,120, an increase of 44 per cent over the corresponding figures in 1945, the National Safety Council states.

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"Saratoga" Sails For Last Time

Washington, May 1. An advance contingent of 230 U.S. Army, Navy and Marine Corps and atom-bomb-test headquarters staff are expected to leave today on the first leg of their journey to Bikini Atoll; they are expected to arrive there about June.

The staff will take over the gigantic task of assembling scores of target ships and co-ordinating the work of 40,000 men on the Atoll itself and also the surrounding areas.

The first test is set for July. Press correspondents are scheduled to arrive in Bikini then and will see the explosion from ships 15 or 20 miles away, except for one press correspondent and one radio man who will be in an observation plane.

After the explosion, reporters will be taken to the lagoon to see for themselves the results of the atomic bomb explosion of the target ships.

The aircraft carrier "Saratoga" will sail from San Francisco today on route to Bikini Atoll. The 18-year-old flat-top queen is equipped with secret test instruments, army guns, tanks, quarter-master equipment and her own normal equipment.

Her usual complement of 3,200 men has been reduced to 600 and they will leave the ship the day before the bomb is dropped. Many of the crew who served for years aboard the "Saratoga" are gloomy as the ship put out to sea.

"It's like blowing up your old home," commented one down-hearted job.—Associated Press.

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Moscow On Jap. Elections

Moscow, May 1. "The New Times," Soviet foreign affairs magazine, said today that "Imperial reactionaries and Fascist followers" won a Parliamentary majority in Japan's national elections.

"If this reactionary majority could have acted in conformity with their secret leaders, they would immediately have restored the Fascist regime and imprisoned all democrats," wrote V. Avarin, adding, "There is no doubt that elected reactionaries of the Japanese Parliament will try with all their pro-Fascist elements, to carry out in secret, a policy re-establishing Japanese militarism and Fascism," he concluded.—Associated Press.

DAKOTA CRASH IN PUNJAB

New Delhi, May 2. Twelve people were killed, including two British officers of the Indian Army and two Royal Air Force Warrant Officers, when a Dakota aircraft crashed seven miles from Rawalpindi, Punjab, yesterday, it was announced here today.

The others killed were seven Indian commissioned officers and one Sepoy.

The plane was taking the military members of an air despatch course for air experience.—Reuter.

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HONG KONG, APRIL 28, 1946.

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Truman Pledges Aid To France

PARIS, MAY 2.

PRESIDENT TRUMAN SPEAKING TO M. GEORGES BIDAULT, FRENCH FOREIGN MINISTER, ON THE TRANS-ATLANTIC TELEPHONE THIS AFTERNOON, SAID:

"IMPORTANT DECISIONS WERE TAKEN IN WASHINGTON THIS MORNING TO AID FRANCE: FIRSTLY, IN REGARD TO A LOAN AND, SECONDLY, IN REGARD TO WHEAT SHIPMENT."

BRIDGE NOTES

"We think we know," wrote Mr. and Mrs. J. W. T. of Hartford, Conn., "where the mistake took place in bidding this hand. But we'd like to make sure about it."

South, Dealer
Both sides vulnerable

S. A 8 3
H. 10 6 3
D. 9 5
C. 8 7 3 2

S. K. J 8 7 4
H. 10 6 3
D. 9 5
C. 8 7 3 2

S. Q 10 9 7 5 4
H. 9
D. A K J
C. A Q 4

The bidding:
South West North East
1S Pass 1NT Pass
2S Pass 2NT Pass

"With both black Kings in a favourable position, we made eleven tricks at a contract of only two spades. But surely we should have been at game if all we needed was one out of two finessees."

"We agreed, after the hand had been played, that the South hand is worth a rebid of four spades if North raises to two spades instead of bidding one no-trump. But, and this is what we want to make sure of, is the North hand worth a raise to two spades?"

Yes, the North hand is worth a raise to two spades—and our readers have put their finger right on the sore spot of the bidding. This is an old problem; we receive a few letters on just this matter every week—in year in and year out. The main point is that a simple raise does not guarantee any more strength than a response of one no-trump; it just shows a different type of hand.

If you forgot all you know about bidding systems you would have only one thought, holding the North hand after a spade bid by South. That thought would be: This hand ought to be played in spades. And if you decided to make any bid at all, you would raise spades.

And to that extent, at least, our system conforms to elementary logic. We don't believe in bidding no-trump when we really want to raise spades. Make the simple, logical bid and forget about artificial requirements.

Yesterday you were Howard Schenken's partner and, with neither side vulnerable, you held:

S. A J 9 3
H. K 10 4
D. K 5
C. J 9 8 7

The bidding:
Schenken Jacoby You Major
1S Pass 1S Pass
2D Pass 3H Pass
3NT Pass (?)

ANSWER: Pass. You have indicated a strong preference for hearts over diamonds, but your partner apparently doesn't want to play the hand at hearts. Since you have told your story, you must trust to his judgment.

Score 100 per cent for pass, 0 for any other bid.

CHICAGO GRAINS

Chicago, May 1.
May Rye displayed an upward trend closing at the day's high. Oats closed firm in sympathy with Rye.

Beneficial rains have been reported in some grain sections of western Canada and central United States. Most of the flour mills in the southwest are closed.

Rye—May \$2.82½. All other grain prices unchanged.

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N. Y. EXCHANGES

New York, May 1.
Foreign Exchange Market:
T.T. on Montreal \$90.81, London \$4.03½, Paris \$0.84, Buenos Aires (free market) \$24.40, Rio de Janeiro \$5.25, Mexico \$20.65.—Associated Press.

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N. Y. COTTON

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New York Cotton—May \$27.40, July \$27.47½, October \$27.47½, December \$27.50, March \$27.53, May —, Middling Spot \$28.07.

New Orleans Cotton—May \$27.32 bid, July \$27.34, October \$27.35½, December \$27.43, March \$27.49, Middling Spot \$27.18.—Associated Press.

Singapore, May 1.
The British Board of Trade will take over the purchase of all available rubber in Malaya on May 5 and shipments will be made in line with allocations of the Combined Rubber Committee in Washington. It was announced yesterday.—Associated Press.

Willington, Delaware, May 1.
Dupont de Nemours reported a net income of \$28,925,000 for the first three months of the current year or \$2.48 a share, compared with \$1.52 cents a share during the similar period last year.—Associated Press.

N.Y. STOCK MARKET

New York, May 1.
New York stocks moved irregularly lower today in the quietest market in a month.

Selected issues responded to favourable earnings or dividend news. Selling pressure hit liquor shares after a reduction had been ordered on the use of grains. A few issues recovered from the day's losses.

Some industrial shares gave ground on fears of widespread shutdowns as a result of coal shortages. Ralls improved. A number of pivotal, oil, motor and rubber were steady.

A total of 980,000 shares was traded.

Dow Jones Industrial \$76.80
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20 Ralls 64.75
15 Utilities 43.19
Adams Express \$22½, Alaska Juneau \$8½, American Can \$90, American Smelting \$69, American Telephone \$193½, American Tobacco \$97½, American Water-works \$20½, Anaconda Copper \$47½, Aviation Corporation \$19½, Baldwin \$33½, Barnsdall \$30, Bendix Aviation \$48½, Bethlehem Steel \$105½, Boeing \$28½, Borden Co. \$56½, Canadian Pacific \$19½, J. I. Case \$48½, Chrysler \$128½, Corn Products \$32½, Dupont \$20½, Eastman Kodak \$25½, Electric Light & Power \$23½, General Electric \$45½, General Motors \$73½, Goodrich \$82½, Goodyear \$74½, Homestake Mining \$48, International Harvester \$94½, International Paper \$40½, International Tel. & Tel. \$24½, Johns Manville \$157½, Kennecott Copper \$59, Montgomery Ward \$98½, National Distillers \$74½, National Lead \$38½, New York Central RR \$80½, Packard Motors \$20½, Pennsylvania RR \$42½, Radio Corporation \$16½, Real Silk \$30½, Republic Steel \$33½, Reynolds Tobacco \$44½, Schenley \$78½, Sears Roebuck \$47½, Shell Oil \$39½, Socony Vacuum \$17½, Southern Pacific \$60½, Standard Brands \$52½, Standard Oil of New Calif. \$78½, Studebaker \$29½, Union Bag \$35, Union Carbide \$120½, U.S. Steel \$83½, Westinghouse \$38½, Youngstown Sheet & Tube \$70.—Associated Press.

President Truman added, "You will know the details very soon, and I am sure they will be very satisfactory for France."

M. Bidault called on Mr. James Byrnes (U.S. Secretary of State) today and the two statesmen reviewed every aspect of Franco-American relations.

Mr. Byrnes impressed on M. Bidault the United States Government's determination to give France maximum economic aid.

As the conversation developed and M. Bidault explained the French situation, Mr. Byrnes is said to have insisted on getting the President on the telephone.

Speaking to President Truman for eight minutes, Mr. Byrnes reiterated to him the vital importance of aiding France and preventing the danger of an economic crisis in France.

President Truman listened, then said suddenly, "Please give me Mr. Bidault on the line."

Turning Point
The President and the French Foreign Minister talked for 4½ minutes, and President Truman gave M. Bidault the assurance that "important decisions" for aid to France were taken in Washington.

In French official quarters, the three-cornered Truman-Byrnes-Bidault trans-Atlantic call is regarded this evening as a "positive turning point" in Franco-American relations.

Confidence that the United States will go all out for aid to France in her struggle for economic recovery has risen to a new high point in Paris today.

No details are yet known about the American decisions for French aid referred to by President Truman in his phone talk with M. Bidault but it is recalled here that recently Washington authorities were informed that, to prevent a food crisis, France would need in May and June 500,000 tons of wheat from the United States and Canada, in order to meet the gap in stocks before the new harvest begins to become available in July.—Reuter.

New Chase Bank Appointment

An important change in senior executive positions in the Chase National Bank was announced by Winthrop W. Aldrich, Chairman of the Board, after a meeting of directors.

H. Donald Campbell, President since 1945 was elected Vice-Chairman of the Board and Arthur W. McCall a Vice-President since 1929 was elected President and a Director. Messrs. Aldrich, Campbell and McCall now constitute the management group.

Mr. Campbell, who has held positions of senior responsibility as heads of major departments during recent years.

Mr. McCall, 52, has been engaged in commercial and foreign banking for 32 years, he is widely known as a commercial banker, identified with financing of aircraft manufacturing and air transport companies. He, likewise, took a leading part in financing bank credits for many industrial concerns during war time period of swift construction of war plants and production of military supplies for several years after joining Chase.

Mr. McCall was Vice-President in the Foreign Department, specializing in loans on commodities particularly cotton and wheat. He also had charge of Chase's business and banking relationship in South America where he previously had spent 12 years as a junior official of two other New York Banks.

OIL REPORTS
New York, May 2.
The Standard Oil of New Jersey today declared its semi-annual 50 cent dividend on common shares and \$1 extra disbursement payable June 12 to holders on record as of May 15.

The Standard Oil of California today reported its first quarter earnings equivalent to \$1.12 a share, compared with \$1.11 a year ago. The company declared the usual 50-cent dividend payable June 15 to holders on record as of May 15.—Associated Press.

DALTON'S POST
London, May 2.
The Treasury announced yesterday that the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Hugh Dalton, has been appointed to succeed the late Lord Keynes as governor of the International Monetary Fund and of the International Bank for Reconstruction.—Associated Press.

VICTORY BONDS DROP
New York, May 1.
United States Government Victory bond prices dropped in the Stock Exchange today after a month-long gradual decline.

The 2½ per cent issues sold at \$1,027.50 per thousand which was \$10 under Monday.

The decline was attributed to liquidation by short-term investors who have completed the six-month holding required for advantageous tax treatment.—Associated Press.

The Republic Steel reported today a net loss of \$247,000 for the first quarter this year compared with a net income of over three million dollars in the first quarter of 1945.—Associated Press.

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A gallon of 376-ounce whisky sold at a price of £22 at a time when the price of whisky was £10 a gallon in 1939.

Newsprint Imports Into Britain

During last year 76,000 tons of newsprint were imported from Canada at a cost of £1,187,000, Professor H. A. Marquand, Parliamentary Secretary to the Department of Overseas Trade, disclosed in the House of Commons today.

He was replying to the Commander Charles Williams (Conservative), who asked how many tons of newsprint had come from the United States, Canada and Newfoundland in 1945, and at what cost.

Professor Marquand said that the corresponding figures for Newfoundland were 111,000 tons at a cost of £2,770,000. No newsprint was imported last year from the United States.

Commander Williams asked if there was any reason why newsprint should not be imported in greater amounts from these countries to allow the people to have more news in Britain, but received no reply.

Major Edward Legge-Bourke (Conservative) asked the President of the Board of Trade if he was aware that supplies of newsprint destined for Britain from Canada and Newfoundland might be diverted to the United States because of exchange difficulties; whether this was likely to affect the present allocation of newsprint to British journals, and what steps he was taking to ensure that such supplies were not diverted.

Professor Marquand, in a written reply, stated: "For exchange reasons, we cannot afford as much newsprint as we would like, but there is no reason to suppose that sufficient will not be available to maintain the present allocation."

Servicemen And Neurosis

Sydney, May 2.
More than 22,000 ex-servicemen may need treatment for neurosis, according to a survey of the neurosis problem prepared by one of Australia's leading psychiatrists at the request of the Returned Soldiers League, the New South Wales Labour Council Services Department and British Medical Association.

These organisations will urge the establishment of a Federal Directorate of Psychological Medicine with State departments to take over the care and treatment of neurotic and psychotic ex-servicemen from the Repatriation Department.

The report recommends that the proposed State Departments be provided with hospital accommodation for 250 patients and a staff of psychiatrists, trained social workers, psychologists, vocational guidance officers, employment officers and the necessary clerical aid. It also recommends that such hospitals for in-patients should give treatment for both neurotic and psychotic (insane persons) for a period of up to 12 months. At the end of this time, if failure of treatment denotes that the case is chronic, it should be transferred to a State Mental Institution.

Servicemen with discharges directly due to neurosis or psychosis will probably exceed 2,000, the report states, while it is reasonable to assume that 40 per cent of discharges on medical and surgical grounds have a significant psychological concomitant.

The number of cases under this category will probably be no less than 20,000, and this total will be further swelled by numbers of other ex-servicemen

London, May 2.
Hungry Europe celebrated May Day, international festival of the working man, yesterday with fanfares, disorders and talks of war.

The Soviet Union proclaimed a desire for peace but reminding the world of the Soviet might capable of "shattering blows" against "anybody who dares to lift his hand against the achievements of our people."

Two bombs exploded in Madrid, and in Toledo more than 50,000 Yugoslavs marched through the disputed city shouting "Viva Tito, Viva Stalin!"

Fanatical followers of the dead Mussolini made brief forays against the Communist headquarters and the Communist-Socialist newspapers in Rome.

One group "captured" the Rome radio station and forced the broadcast of a record of the Fascist hymn "Giovinezza."

Several hundred thousand Berlin workers, marching behind Red banners through the rubble, looked anything but militaristic, but speakers claiming to stand for "the only true socialism" were strangely mindful of Hitler's mass psychology.

Sedatives To Still Their Consciences

Nuernberg, May 2.
Dr. Hjalmar Schacht, former Minister of Economics and President of the Reichsbank, said that he fought against "this nonsense" of reparations which the Allies tried to extract from Germany after the First World War, when he spoke in his own defence at the War Crimes Tribunal here today.

Dr. Schacht said that he gave financial support to the rearmament of Germany because he considered it absolutely necessary for Germany to have equality in this field but he quiet figures to show that he, as he claimed, tried to slow down the rate of rearmament.

Dr. Schacht said that he joined Hitler's Cabinet only with the view to "applying the brakes" to his regime of coercion.

"As far as my own comfort and peace of mind were concerned, it would be very simple to resign, but I said to myself: I want to do this for Germany," Describing Hitler's relations with Nazi leaders, Dr. Schacht said that Hitler had a way of using people's faults to "shackle them to his service."

"Many Nazis had to take sedatives to still their consciences," he added. "This was reflected in the many suicides when the collapse came."

Singapore Meeting

Rangoon heard demands for the immediate withdrawal of "imperialist troops" from

Cities throughout Russia were the scenes of gigantic celebrations, but the biggest was in Moscow's Red Square, where Soviet troops assembled the greatest peace-time show of armed strength.

Premier Stalin and the massed crowds heard Marshal Konstantin Rokossovsky, twice a hero of the Soviet Union declare: "We must not be called into complacency. The forces of international reaction are once again raising their heads. They are trying to undermine the collaboration of the freedom-loving peoples in their struggle for peace and security."

Half a million French workers paraded in Paris. Banners were carried attacking the Spanish regime and demanding "total rupture with Franco, assassin of democracy."

The Belgian celebration was quiet, the sunshine sending thousands into the country for the two-day holiday.

Persian workmen demonstrated in Teheran and Jewish Communist bore red flags and pictures of Stalin and Lenin through the streets of Tel Aviv.

Urgent need for the extension of post-war research into social sciences and psychological problems was stressed by Sir Herbert Gepp in an address to the New South Wales Institute of Industrial Management. Sir Herbert, who is a well-known Australian mining engineer, has been chairman of numerous Commonwealth Commissions and is a fellow of the Australian Chemical Institute, stressed that after World War I, thousands of men returned mentally unbalanced and were given pensions or special assistance. Little or no effort was made to help them to regain their mental balance, or to balance emotional controls.

Penicillin For All In Britain

London, May 2.
Penicillin, the wonder drug, will be available to Britons who present doctors' certificates at drug stores beginning on June 1, Mr. John Wilmot, the Minister of Supply, announced today at a Penicillin Production Conference of Distinguished Scientists in Shell Mex House here.

In the audience were Sir Alexander Fleming, the discoverer of Penicillin, Sir Howard Florey and Sir Cecil Wells, who directed the government's programme of penicillin development and production.

"We are producing today a thousand times as much penicillin than in 1943," Mr. Wilmot said. "We are now producing not only enough for our own estimated needs, but we shall soon have some to spare to help other countries."

Madrid, May 2.
The Spanish military strength on and near the Pyrenees frontier has been reduced from 300,000 last summer to 170,000, it is stated in reliable reports received in Madrid.—Reuter.

coming out of the services. "Sympathy and understanding will help, but more than that will be required of us. We should at least have some appreciation of the basic facts of psychiatry, and herein lies a great scope for Institutes of Industrial Management."

1,000 GUINEAS

Newmarket, May 2.
Probable jockeys for the Thoroughbred, the Alton classic running here tomorrow, are: Hypericum — Dough Smith; Prize Court — Sam Wragg; Whistler — J. G. Ed. Wragg; Bonnie Dair — A. Brit; Nightingale — Gordon Richards; Cam — R. A. Jones; Leven — Harry Wragg; Wayward Belle — W. Nicholls; Riding Roys — Tommy Weston; Iona — E. W. H. Smith; Daily Double — C. Elliott; and Muscat — Michael Barry.—Reuter.

"Glorious Goodwood"

London, May 2.
"Glorious" Goodwood, one of the most popular southern meetings, resumes as a venue for flat racing this year. Dates for meetings for the second half of the season—July to November—were announced today and Goodwood was among the venues which owing to war have seen no racing for nearly seven years.

Others where there will be a resumption for the first time for several years are Ribon, Boscage, Leicester, Lewes, Folkestone, Newcastle, Birmingham, Haydock and Epsom, though Epsom is already earmarked for meetings before July, notably the June fixture at which the Derby and Oaks will be run.—Reuter.

ARLINGTON PARK FIRE

Chicago, May 2.
More than 20 race horses owned by Mrs. Elizabeth Grahams, of the Mal Chance Farm, were reported by the Morton Grove police to have died in a fire which swept the Arlington Park Race Track barns early this morning.

Mrs. Graham is the owner of Lord Boswell, one of the Kentucky Derby favourites and also owns Knockdown, also a Derby entry.

Both of these horses were stabled at Louisville and were not among those lost in the Arlington Park blaze.—Associated Press.

SMALL GOLF BALL

St. Andrews, May 2.
The Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews, rule-making body for all British golfers, yesterday decided to retain the small-sized ball for at least three more years.

The Club rejected a suggestion to adopt the American 1.68 inch diameter ball instead of its present one of 1.62 inch. Both balls weigh 1.62 ounces.—Associated Press.

Coloured R.A.F. Man Refused A Drink

Cambridge, May 2.
A coloured Jamaican airman, said to have been refused a drink in the lounge bar of a Cambridge public house, was alleged here today to have produced an automatic pistol and demanded service.

The airman, one of a Party of Jamaican airmen, was charged with possessing a pistol with intent to endanger life or cause serious injury to property, and with possessing a pistol without having a firearms certificate.

It was stated that Ferguson was told it was not the custom to serve coloured people in the lounge, but he would be served in the public bar.

The licensee, who was of the opinion that the pistol could be fired, said he phoned the police. On their arrival it was found that the pistol was unloaded.—Reuter.

London, May 2.
Major-General Parker left today for Jerusalem, where he will take over command of the British troops in Palestine.—Reuter.

Moscow, May 2.
The Soviet Union will abolish the railway permit system on June 1. After that only persons travelling to the border, some will require permits.—Reuter.

PERFECT START IN 2,000 GUINEAS

NEWMARKET, MAY 2.
THE FIELD OF THIRTEEN. RUNNERS IN THE TWO THOUSAND GUINEAS TODAY, WHICH WAS WON BY HAPPY KNIGHT, GOT AWAY TO A PERFECT START, WITH BRIDLE PATH AND THE FRENCH ENTRY COYAMA THE FIRST TO GET IN STRIDE, FOLLOWED CLOSELY BY FAIREY FULMAR, THE YUVARAJ, HAPPY KNIGHT AND MASSICLE. THE ODER WAS MAINTAINED UP TO THE HALF-WAY MARK WHEN COYAMA GAVE WAY TO THE YUVARAJ, WHICH JOINED BRIDLE PATH IN FRONT OF FAIREY FULMAR, HAPPY KNIGHT, EDWARD TUTOR AND IMPROVING RADIOTHERAPY. THE MAHARAJ KUMAR WAS ALSO GOING WELL.

A quarter of a mile from home, the big race specialist, Tommy Weston, sent Happy Knight out clear with Khaled making a run on the outside and Radiotherap and Gulf Stream also endeavouring to challenge.

Khaled and Radiotherap could make little impression on the leader as they met the rising ground and Happy Knight stayed on to win by four lengths, with a head separating the second and third horse. The winner covered the mile in one minute and 38-1/5 seconds.

Sir William Cooke, who has been racing for thirty years and never previously won a classic nor had Henry Jellies, the winning trainer previously trained a classic winner. The winning jockey Tommy Weston has now won two classics.

No Excuses

The race was run under splendid conditions with the ground slightly on the firm side. There did not appear any excuse for the beaten horses.

Happy Knight had been quietly backed at 40 to 1 for the Derby just prior to the race. He nearly was never entered for this. The owner said after his victory today: "I was always hopeful that he would win the Guineas" but after a talk with his trainer, we decided to take him out of the Derby as we thought he would not be able to come round Tattenham corner. Luckily as it now turns I forgot to sign the letter taking the colt out and he therefore remains in the race. It is a grand thing that he is still in the Derby as he has a big chance of winning after today."

It is the strangest thing that although five horses by Hyperion were in the race, not a single one could win to sire a winner of this classic. Perhaps the distance is too short.

Derby Favourite

One of his sons, Rising Light, won the Chippinham Stakes over one and a half miles for the King in the race run just before the Guineas.

Lord Derby got some compensation for the defeat of Gulf Stream when his filly Kona was the Wiltshire 2-year-old stakes over five furlongs.

After the Guineas, Happy Knight was backed to win the Derby at four to one, a bet of £4,900 to £1,000 being taken.—Reuter.

Death Of W. Johnston

San Francisco, May 2.
William Johnston, one of the most famous lawn tennis players of all time, died suddenly here from heart failure. Johnston, aged 52, was playing tennis on an asphalt court at an early age and long before 21 was among the title holders in Pacific events.

He became American champion in 1915 and for the space of nearly 15 years was constantly in the forefront, with some thrilling tussles in championship events with Bill Tilden, winning some and losing some.

Johnston attained his Wimbledon title in 1925 and starred in many American Davis Cup teams.—Reuter.

Louisville, Ky., May 2.
In Earnest, favorite of the Blue Grass country, was withdrawn yesterday from the Kentucky Derby because the speedy little horse had passed his peak in training and finished seventh in Tuesday's Derby trial. This left 16 survivors relatively sure of entry. There will probably be more withdrawals if the track remains muddy.—Associated Press.

Williams K.O.s Bolanos

Los Angeles, May 2.
Ike Williams, of Tronton, New Jersey, National Boxing Association lightweight champion successfully defended his title today by technically knocking out his challenger, Enrique Bolanos, of Mexico, in the eighth round of a scheduled 15-round bout.

Williams floored Bolanos four times before the referee stopped the fight.

It was Williams' first defense of the title he had won a year ago from "the Mexican," Juan Zurita. He collected \$20,000 while Bolanos got \$10,000.—Associated Press.

BOXING

Boston, May 1.
After surviving three early knock-downs, Tippy Larkin of Garfield, N.J., stormed to defeat Willie Joyce of Gary, Indiana, for the Junior Welterweight Boxing Championship in a 12 round decision.

The decision was unanimous and well received by all the fans, despite Larkin's bad third round when he was downed three times by solid rights to the jaw.

Larkin received the title belt after the bout, in this recently revived division with a 140 pound limit.—Associated Press.

RADIO

FRIDAY, MAY 3, 1946.
STUDIO—ROSA GARCIA (VOCAL) WITH ADALGO VIANA AT THE PIANO.

ZBW Hong Kong broadcasting on a frequency of 640 Kilocycles and from 12.30 to 1.30 p.m., 5.30 to 7.30, 8.00 to 8.15 p.m., and 9.15 to 11.00 p.m., also on 9.52 Megacycles.

H.K.T.
12.30 p.m.—Daily Programme Summary.
12.35 p.m.—Turner Layton (Vocal) and Harold Ramsay (Organ).
1.00 p.m.—News and Announcements.
1.10 p.m.—Debroy Somers Band.
1.20 p.m.—New Light Symphony Orchestra.
2.00 p.m.—Class Down.
2.30 p.m.—The Music of Rudolf Friml.
2.40 p.m.—London Relay: "Mail Call".
2.50 p.m.—"Bernadette to the Stars".

ENBA.
7.45 p.m.—Studio—Rosa Garcia (Vocal) with Adalco Viana at the Piano.
8.00 p.m.—London Relay—News.
8.15 p.m.—A Short Variety Programme.
8.30 p.m.—"Fireside Request Hour".
9.00 p.m.—Music for Dancing.
9.10 p.m.—London Relay—News.
9.30 p.m.—Light Orchestral Selection.
9.40 p.m.—Gilbert and Sullivan Excerpts.
11.00 p.m.—Class Down.

RADIO SEAC

Radio SEAC, Ceylon, the Services station, broadcasting on a frequency of 15120 Kcs (19.84 metres) and 4075 Kcs (4938 metres) from 6 a.m. to 10.30 p.m. (Indian Standard Time is 3 1/2 hours behind H.K. time).

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